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Province agrees to two key Frost Centre goals

Gerry Phillips will immediately put out call for proposals

MARTHA PERKINS

Editor

There is much more hope for a renewed future for the Frost Centre now that Gerry Phillips has promised to act on two key recommendations put forward by the committee that has spent the past year trying to come up with ways to re-open the former outdoor education facility south of Dorset.

Phillips, the Minister of Government Services, told the Frost Centre Working Committee on Friday that he will work quickly on its request to issue requests for proposals from private and public sector groups eager to play a role in managing the 80-year-old facility.

He said the province has also agreed to lease a portion of the Frost Centre property to the Township of Algonquin Highlands as a way of ensuring there is always public access to the centre's hiking, skiing and water trails.

While he would make no promises beyond that, Phillips said he would be willing to help guide the process through government channels even though he is no longer the minister directly responsible for the Frost Centre.

"The challenge is finding the vehicle, the one that will take over ownership, in a figurative sense, to be the organization to keep it going," said Phillips, who was chair of the management board of cabinet when the process started. As such he was responsible for the Ontario Realty Corporation, which now holds the fate of the Frost Centre in its hands.

"There are interested groups, some right here today, who will come forward," said committee chairman Brian Desbiens. "The sooner they're given the opportunity to come forward the better. That's what will convince the government [to re-open the Frost Centre] more than anything else."

In accepting two of the most important recommendations in the committee's final report, Phillips gave the 30 people gathered in the Haliburton County council chambers in Minden much cause for optimism.

"The Frost Centre isn't open yet but we're definitely heading in the right direction," says Barrie Martin, a long-time employee at the Frost Centre and a



MARTHA PERKINS/Echo

Three television stations and two newspapers were on hand when Gerry Phillips came to the county council chambers in Minden to accept the final report of the Frost Centre Working Committee from chairman Brian Desbiens on Friday.

Council opposes Irondale asphalt plant

LANCE CROSSLEY

Staff Reporter

Highlands East council has reaffirmed its position on the proposed Bark Lake asphalt plant by saying that it will abide by a 2003 resolution passed by the previous council that clearly states the township's objection to the project.

"That's still our position," said Reeve Keith Tallman at council's July 12 meeting. "We haven't changed our position."

The news came as a relief to a small delegation of Irondale residents opposed to the plant, who were unsure as to whether they had the support of the present council. They are concerned about potential repercussions of the project, such as noise pollution, air pollution, and increased truck traffic.

"That's what we wanted to hear, that this resolution is still in place," said Al Eppich, a spokesperson for residents opposed to the plant.

In 2003, Royel Paving sought to construct a temporary asphalt plant in Irondale until a wave of opposition halted the plan. Earlier this year, the company revitalized the project by submitting a permit application for Bark Lake Quarry - which is on Crown land - to the Ministry of Natural Resources. If successful, Royel Paving will also need a Certificate of Approval from the Ministry of Environment.

Council told the delegation that the provincial government has asked for the municipality's position on the matter and that the government is aware of Highlands East's opposition. A number

of councillors qualified this by emphasizing that the ultimate decision rests with the ministry and there is little council can do.

Councillor Rick Forget stressed that "Crown land is Crown land" while Deputy Reeve Bill Howe told the crowd that "whatever the ministry comes down with, you're going to have to live with and so are we."

Council's controlled response left some in the delegation feeling half satisfied.

"I'm very happy that they are continuing to honour their past resolution," said Ann Eppich.

"But as far as I'm concerned, when they keep saying that their hands are tied, they are sitting on the fence."

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Cottage Dreams is having a charity barbecue at Todd's Independent Grocers on July 30 from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. There will be face painting and balloons for children as well as a lot of good food. Cottage Dreams is a Haliburton-based registered charity that provides cancer patients with a week free of stress and worry at a local cottage which has been "donated" for the week to the program. For details visit www.cottagedreams.org.

Whether it's through "snail mail" or e-mail we are all barraged with fraudulent schemes to part us

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news and events worth noting

with our money. This week we got a message from Aggie Tose at G.J. Burtch Construction. She received an invoice saying that the company's website domain name had expired and they had to pay to get it re-established. However, the domain name was slightly different so she phoned her host server to check. She was told the invoice was a fraud and not to pay it. People are reminded of the need to be extra vigilant when asked for money.

Hats off to the pilots at Stanhope Airport. On Friday the airport got a call saying that a flying program for 50 Boy Scouts had to be cancelled at another airport. Could the Scouts come there? In 13 hours, enough pilots agreed to volunteer their time and their planes to let these 50 young eagles discover the joys of discovering Haliburton from the air.

Last week's editorial stated that Greg Sorbara would be taking over responsibility of the Ontario Realty Corporation. That is incorrect. David Caplan, Minister of Public Infrastructure Renewal, took over responsibility for this agency with the recent cabinet changes. The Echo apologizes for the error.

Rotary Beach in Haliburton continues to be closed because of high bacteria levels.

Harcourt Park fined for illegal stocking

A local company has been fined \$1,500 for illegally putting brook trout into a local lake.

Harcourt Park Inc. pleaded guilty to putting the fish in a Harcourt Township lake last November. The lake is not approved by the Ministry of Natural Resources for stocking brook trout.

Stocking licences are required from the ministry to control species and numbers of fish stocked into water bodies. The controls prevent the transfer of fish disease and introduction of unwanted species.

Justice of the Peace D. Jackson heard the case in the Ontario Court of Justice, Minden on July 7.

Two walleye anglers net a fishing ban for a year

Two Haliburton men have been fined a total of \$2,500 for fishing the Drag River fish sanctuary.

Christopher Coty, 23, and Adam Henry, 21, who pleaded guilty, were banned from angling for a year.

Court heard that, on April 18 this year, an Ontario Provincial Police officer found the two men with a spear at the Haliburton sanctuary. He alerted conservation officers from the Ministry of Natural Resources office in Minden.

The Drag River is a spawning site for walleye and the local community has invested funds and time in rehabilitating the sanctuary.

The public is encouraged to help protect its natural resources by reporting violations to the local ministry or anonymously to Crime Stoppers at 1-800-222-TIPS.

ATTENTION STUART BAKER AND J.D. HODGSON STUDENTS AND FAMILIES

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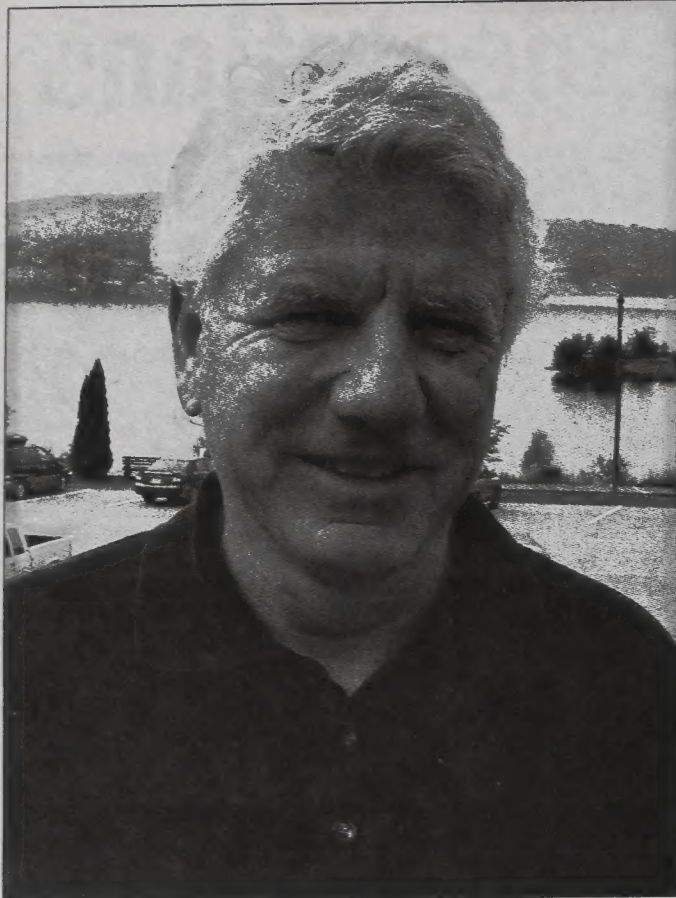
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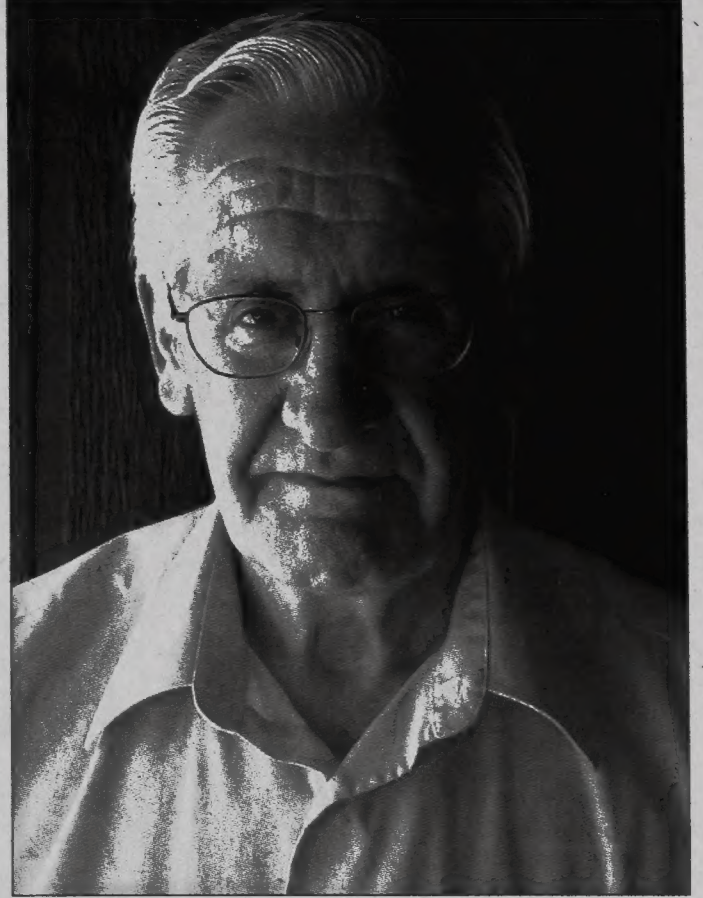
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Dave Clark, who was once Ron McLean's boss as chief of CBC sports, says we're incredibly lucky.



As a former vice-president of Sunnybrook, Jane Taylor's well aware of healthcare issues.



Globe-trotting consultant Dave Taylor brings his technological expertise to the board.

Health board puts three new members to work

LANCE CROSSLEY

Staff Reporter

The area's tradition of strong health care governance promises to continue with the three latest acquisitions to the Haliburton Highlands Health Services Board of Directors.

Lending their ideas and expertise to the board are former CBC sports executive Alan Clark, telecommunications expert David Taylor, and long-time health care administrator Jane Taylor.

Clark is the former executive director for CBC sports television and is responsible for luring Hockey Night in Canada's Ron McLean to this Thursday's Rotary Golf Classic, a major charity fundraiser for the HHHS Foundation. Clark was McLean's boss during his 10 years residing over CBC sports television and used to negotiate the famous sportscaster's contracts over a couple of bottles of wine. (In later years, after Clark's departure, McLean would experience infamously turbulent contract negotiations with CBC brass).

"(Foundation Director) Dale Walker had asked me before whether I could get Ron to come," says Clark. "I really couldn't ask him before because of the demands on his time. But with the hockey strike I gave him a call and he said he would be happy to come up."

Clark has since made the Highlands his permanent home after being a cottager near Norland for 20 years. He says a major factor in his decision to commit full-

time to the area is the county's two hospital facilities.

"I find it staggering to think that this little county had to raise \$6 million on its own (for the facilities) and is now down to the last million," says Clark, who now resides on Devil's Lake.

Clark feels the management skills he learned from running CBC operations will help contribute to the board's mandate and wants to contribute because he's a "great believer" in universal health care. After traveling extensively and working on 10 World Olympics for CBC, Clark has seen numerous alternatives to our health system and believes Canadians to be among the most fortunate in the world.

"I don't think Canadians appreciate how unbelievably lucky we are," says Clark. "I think we should be thankful for this system and work to improve it."

Jane Taylor is a long-time Highlands cottager who now lives on Boshkung Lake. Her affiliation with the area's hospitals goes back to the early 80s when she worked for the Red Cross's hospital division and would frequently visit Haliburton and Minden on jaunts from the head office in Toronto. Taylor has a Masters in Health Sciences from the University of Leeds and has even served as vice-president of Sunnybrook Health Sciences Centre. In her long and varied career in the health industry, she says she has never served on a hospital board and is looking forward to the new role.

"We're in a very interesting time with the restructuring and local health networks. But then again, it's always an interesting time in health care," laughs

Taylor, who moved full-time to the county last fall.

Taylor believes it is important to continue to develop linkages to other health centres and thinks the corporation should always look for other avenues to "develop, expand, and connect". She also has been impressed with the management skills of the current board, despite rocky times in the province's health system.

"It's very hard to manage well in turbulent times but that's a sign of good management. Anybody can manage when it's easy," says Ms. Taylor.

Dave Taylor (no relation to Jane) is the third new board member and brings a wealth of knowledge from the communications field. The communications consultant has been around long enough to hold a post-graduate degree in "colour television" from York University in England. In his 45-year career, Taylor has seen black and white TV go to colour and radio and satellite systems going from analogue to digital.

"I think there is something I can bring to the table to help [health services] move forward into the digital world," says Mr. Taylor, who resides on Percy Lake.

Taylor is officially retired but keeps himself busy with his own consulting service. He believes the stresses on the healthy system – such as doctor shortages and budgetary concerns – can be partially alleviated through an adequate communications system.

"It won't eliminate [the problems] but I think it will help to reduce it and control it," says Taylor. "That's where I kind of hope I can play a part."

Canada World Youth makes presence known in Haliburton

LANCE CROSSLEY

Staff Reporter

The following are brief highlights from the July 11 council meeting of Dysart et al.

Mike Boylan, project supervisor for Canada World Youth, gave council the heads up about this year's Africa-Canada Eco-Leadership program, which will take place in Haliburton this fall.

In his presentation, Boylan said the visa complications from last year have been ironed out and that he expects a successful program for this time around.

He is looking for nine families to host 18 young Kenyans and Canadians for the fall. The program will also incorporate a host of partnerships with the environmental and



Canada World Youth Project Supervisor Mike Boylan gave council information about the Africa-Canada Eco-Leadership Program.

social services sector of Haliburton.

Council will try to supply a make-shift classroom for the program, as participants are required to spend half their weeks in work placements and the other half in educational programming.

Harcourt Community Centre

Council agreed give \$1,760 to the Harcourt Community Centre for septic repairs. The contract was given to Keith Pigeon of Bancroft, who will replace two sewage pumps, as well as the valves and lines.

The decision to provide funding for the repairs was the subject of a brief debate among council, when West Guilford Councillor Leon Jones questioned whether the repairs should not be drawn from the Harcourt operational budget, which runs about \$8,000. Harcourt Councillor Steve Pogue argued that infrastructure costs should be the responsibility of the township because it owns the building.

COMRIF

The engineering firm ASI Group will undertake preliminary engineering and cost estimates for a number of potential Dysart et al infrastructure projects. The consulting work – to cost somewhere between \$12,000 and \$15,500 – is to assist the municipality in its application for the second intake of COMRIF, a special fund whereby the provincial and federal government takes on two-thirds of the cost for successful applicants and their

municipal infrastructure projects.

Dysart et al was successful during the first round of COMRIF applications earlier this year, when it was approved for a number of bridge repair projects. Eligible projects for this round must relate to water or wastewater. Mike Lywood, an engineer with ASI Group, outlined a number of possibilities for council, including doing improvements to the wastewater treatment plant and pumping stations.

Water regulations

Reeve Murray Fearrey praised the government's proposed amendments to Bill 170, the government's legislation regarding public water systems. The changes would mean less frequent testing for small municipal systems such as Dysart's, which Fearrey described as "good". The original Bill 170 was much stricter and met an uproar of protest province-wide because of the high costs involved for water system upgrades and regular testing.

Reid House

Council accepted a quote from Dave's Roofing to replace the cedar shingles on the Haliburton museum's Reid House for \$13,500 plus GST. Dave's Roofing, from Bradford, will also provide a layer of ice and water shield on the main roof and back kitchen. The contractor will use red cedar from British Columbia as well as supply new wall and chimney flashings.

SIRCH fundraising exceeds expectations

GRAEME STEMPE

Staff Reporter

SIRCH's fundraising committee was applauded for its extraordinary results at the community services organization's recent annual general meeting.

During the past year, the committee of volunteers and staff raised more than \$36,000 to help SIRCH operate its early childhood education program and hospice program for individuals with life-threatening illnesses.

"This was one of the first times we really fundraised successfully," said Marie Gage, president of SIRCH, "and it was a tremendous campaign success."

To honour those who helped make it such a success, SIRCH presented fundraisers with framed certificates of appreciation for their year of hard work.

And, like most situations, the reward of a job well done is doing more work. "We need to succeed like this annually to keep our programs running, so you can relax for another hour or so but then we need to get fundraising again," joked Gage.

It was also a time to look at all the programs that SIRCH is responsible for. "It's nice to have a chance once a year to look back at everything you've done," said Gena Robertson, SIRCH executive director. "When you work frantically, deadline to deadline, sometimes it is tough to realize how much you have actually accomplished, so this is a time to remind ourselves of all the good work we did and see how far the ripples of our work have spread."

One aspect of SIRCH, the Community Action Program for Children and the Canada Prenatal Nutrition Program, both underwent major changes this past year. The focus of both programs changed as a result of the change in governing ministry (they were gov-



The hard-working SIRCH fundraising committee of volunteers, board members, and staff was able to raise over \$30,000 to help continue the community hospice program. From left: Rosemarie Jung, Lon Duncombe, Linda May-Powers, Rebecca McMurray, Joanne Vanier, Linda Mintz, Gena Robertson, Diane Johnson, Marie Gage, Cathy Constantino and Sue Kegel.

erned by the Health Canada's public health branch but are now under the newly created Public Health Agency). The dual programs aim to bridge the gap between young children who have good health and nutrition and those who don't. One successful initiative has been the Special Delivery Club which educates young, expecting mothers on how to take care of themselves before and after birth. As a result of the project, not one child in the last six years has been born under 6 lbs.

Another huge aspect of SIRCH is the School's Cool Program that aims to help children get ready for kindergarten before September even comes around. Last year, 50 children were enrolled, and this year is shaping up to be even larger with programs occurring at both Stuart

Baker Elementary School and Cardiff Elementary School.

"What's incredible about the program," said Robertson, "is that we don't really need to advertise. Parents call to try and get their kids in the program before we even begin to get the word out."

SIRCH is unique in that it takes care of both the young and the old. The community group tries to help individuals with life-threatening illnesses and their caregivers through the community hospice program. In 2004-2005, the 25 volunteers helped 58 clients, 108 caregivers and family members, while donating 2,800 hours of service and driving 33,000 kilometers. The number of clients doubled from the previous year, which means that an immeasurable amount of

stress was relieved and support provided for the families of palliative care patients.

The final aspect of SIRCH is the training and consulting aspect, which also grew by leaps and bounds. In the past year, School's Cool instructors were trained in British Columbia, Newfoundland, New Brunswick, and Manitoba in addition to the 100-plus courses offered in more than 100 communities throughout Ontario. The net result was that about 800 instructors were trained.

The final piece of business was the appointment of a new board of directors. The nominations were approved and Marie Gage, Alison Mack, Lon Duncombe, and Pat Martin were appointed to the board again.

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Young boy survives lightning strike

GRAEME STEMP

Staff Reporter

It was all fun and games. Taylor Rowbotham and his friends were spending a leisurely Saturday afternoon playing on the lake.

However, then a storm started to roll in.

"We went up to the trailer to get some other games to play," recalls Taylor, "but I barely opened the door before I was blown back."

His friends watched in horror as a bolt of lightning hit the trailer that Taylor was holding onto (one foot was on the first stair while the other foot was on the ground), and streamed down into the nine-year-old boy's body.

His tiny figure was thrown backwards by the sudden pressure change, and the friends standing behind Taylor recieved an electrical shock.

But, Taylor didn't feel anything, despite being the wire connecting the bolt of lightning to the ground.

"My hands, arms and legs all went numb," said Taylor. "I didn't even feel myself land on the ground; when I did feel something, it felt like my arms were

GRAEME STEMP/Echo



Taylor Rowbotham smiles as he stands outside, but he's lucky to be standing at all after being hit by a bolt of lightning on the weekend. He suffered no physical harm, but psychologically the entire family is taking shaken up after the freaky afternoon.

stuffed and about two feet thick."

Fortunately, one of the adults nearby had seen what happened and was a firefighter. He advised no one to go near Taylor for a few minutes in case he still carried a massive electric charge. After a while, Taylor was picked up and taken into the trailer where he was able to walk.

After giving Taylor's muscles time to relax, Taylor's father took him to the hospital where tests were done. When

the results came back, they showed that he was A-OK.

Now, a few days after the harrowing adventure, Taylor is still tired.

"For such an athletic kid, it's odd to seem him not be able to walk around the block because he's tired," said his mother, Jennifer Bain. "After being hit by lightning, he's really quiet - it's odd."

Beyond the aching muscles, the only sign that the boy defied nature's power is a faint "sunburn" line down the side

of his chest and leg, and the memory of his extraordinary afternoon.

"My family was all pretty spooked," said Taylor. "Now, we are all pretty scared of storms."

Jennifer adds that her internet research into lightning strikes showed that most people get hit while the storm appears to be far away. "Most people don't get hit when it's raining; when the storm looks like it is miles away, that's when you get hit," said Jennifer.

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Don't draw lines

THERE IS NO DOUBT that cottagers and full-time residents have different perspectives on life in the Highlands. But to present the two groups as totally separate entities can get you into trouble.

Cottagers can be blamed for dumping their garbage on the side of the road because a trip to the dump before closing time on Sunday is too inconvenient. And yet if you follow people's recycling habits, cottagers

will likely come out as the champions. They're already accustomed to having to recycle at their city homes; Toronto has even made composting a mandatory requirement despite the summer heat.

echo

editorial

martha perkins

It's not as much of an issue for them to have to separate their garbage as it is for some of the local residents for whom recycling is a nuisance.

While many cottagers are in a higher economic bracket than many Highlanders – working people who couldn't afford to even have a principal residence on the water – they're not necessarily smarter. Living here is a lifestyle choice, and that choice means forsaking higher salaries for the privilege of enjoying the area's splendours and way of life without the weekly commute. However, cottagers know the price they are paying to be able to have a piece of Highlands life and most of them are deeply committed to preserving it. Since two-thirds of our property owners are seasonal residents, we owe them a lot. Their property taxes pay for the majority of local services, especially since their waterfront properties are assessed at a higher value. Their income doesn't go up as quickly as their assessment, that's for sure.

Yet some cottagers can also be insensitive to the realities of life in the Highlands. They don't see this as a community that has to sustain itself during the week, and the incredibly long winter, on more than just pretty views from their window. We need more well-paying, year-round jobs here. We also need a steady source of people who are willing to work for lower-paying jobs to keep all of our businesses open. There also has to be recognition that people who hunt – and there are many of them in the Highlands – are not gun-totin' rednecks who are only an evolutionary step up from Neanderthals. Hunting is a respectable way of life and most local hunters are also the volunteers at the fish hatchery or with the Outdoors Association.

So when it comes to the fight over the proposed asphalt plant in Irondale, it's not as simple as saying it's a fight between locals and cottagers, as Dennis Simmons suggested in last week's *Echo*. Some of his relatives have signed the petition against the plant and there are many locals who believe that the few jobs that will be created at the plant are not worth the environmental costs.

And are we not to listen to what cottagers have to say just because they don't live here year-round? Do they pay taxes for just part of the year? They should not be stigmatized simply because they stick up for what they believe in – and thank God they believe in Haliburton County.

Most of the money generated by the asphalt plant will leave Haliburton County. All of the money generated by cottagers, both through their taxes and their support of local businesses, stays in Haliburton County. That doesn't "buy" them the right to win every argument, but it certainly makes them full and active partners in determining our future.



Perfect summer

Photo by DARREN LUM/ECHO

Natural born killers

The other day a friend and I were standing waist deep in the water holding 9-foot graphite fly rods when a vicious electrical storm beset the lake.

As thunder rocked the sky and sheet lightning lit up the horizon the smallmouth bass suddenly decided that our flies were the tastiest things in the lake. Suddenly, the action became non-stop and we were pulling out good fish on practically every cast.

This left us with an interesting dilemma. Should we continue to stand waist deep in water while waving 9-foot graphite rods or should we pack up and leave the best smallmouth bite of the year?

Who says fish aren't intelligent?

You see, it has since occurred to me that somewhere beneath the surface, a little piscatorial Napoleon Bonaparte was organizing the troops.

"Look men," he was saying, "I know the hooks hurt a bit but these guys are releasing you anyhow, so the pain is purely momentary. If you think about it, it's really no worse than when you decide to dine out for crayfish. But if we can keep them here long enough, maybe they'll draw in a lightning strike and then we've got two fewer anglers to deal with and food for a year. Let's face it, they're just asking for it anyhow."

After a little more thought, I realized that this is not the first time fish have tried to kill me.

Just this spring, they made quite a diabolical effort at the rapids near Devil's Gap. Then it was, "Hey guys, let's show him some really tempting and flashy rises just out of casting range. With any luck at all,

he'll wade just a little further towards us and get swept down the rapids and over the falls and down the rapids and over the falls and down...."

I also recalled several times when they decided to give me just enough action to

keep me on the water well after dark. That's when the really big mosquitoes come out to drain a victim of all his bodily fluids, replacing them with a serum of pure West Nile Virus. I've had so many close calls in that way that, even to this day, I get the urge for falafels and camel rides.

Or what about the times when fish showed themselves so that my only alternative was to execute a high cast just under a power line? Or the sinister plot whereby the best

rainbow trout of the ice fishing season decided to bite, but only under the worst ice of the year?

I could go on but I think you get the point. Fish are essentially homicidal.

They even plot your demise in little ways when they are nowhere to be seen. For instance, last month, my wife nearly killed me for buying a new trolling rod and reel for lake trout. Oh sure, she was the one holding the rolling pin and making all the terrifying threats, but it was the fish that orchestrated the whole ugly incident. I know that now.

The more I think about it the madder I get. All these years, I thought the fish and I had a respectful and cordial relationship. That's why I never got too upset when they stole my flies or ripped off my lures.

But this is now war.

Tonight, we're having bass for dinner.

the not so great



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Summer on the water

THE SUN BOUNCED OFF the water and settled into Maureen's skin. She knew that were she not wearing sunscreen, she'd be turning shades of red in no time. Gone forever were the days she would have welcomed those hues as the beginning of her summer tan. Just get out there and soak up all the rays you can was her motto back in the days before the sun became a kind of death star. So much has changed, she thought, looking down at her spreading midriff and freckled legs. But she still loved the summer and being by a lake, even if she no longer spent entire days in the water.

Today Maureen had invited a few friends over for a swim and early pot luck supper. Husbands and grandchildren had been left to fend for themselves while the women splashed and talked, ate and talked some more. There always seemed to be lots to catch up on and no one was shy with opinions, be it about relationships or the state of the world. As early evening approached, a gentle breeze came up bringing with it the damp green water smell and voices from a canoe in the bay. The women sipped their drinks, watching the canoeists skim



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smoothly along, while they reminisced about younger bodies and the endless summers of those bygone days.

Someone asked Maureen if hers was a motorless lake and she said no, it wasn't, although it should be, given its size. Another woman said it boggled her mind why people had such huge boats, taking them across most lakes in just a few minutes. Then another piped in about how even these dreadfully loud one person ski boats had started getting larger and larger so that before long they'd be just another boat on the lake too. At the mention of the ski boats, several stated their dislike of the noisy, bouncy things. There was a moment of self-righteous silence as they all sat back in their chairs and thought about the sorry state of motorized lakes.

Still, Maureen began, a faraway note in her voice, still she had really liked water skiing in her younger days. Of course it had been years since she had been on them and had no desire to do so now. Still. It had been a lot of fun, as she recalled. Her best friend Laurie agreed that she too had water skied and won several ribbons in the lake's regattas when she was a teenager. Others smiled and nodded their heads, some eyes twinkling at the memories of firm, bronzed bodies cutting across the boat's wake at incredible speeds.

Laurie remembered how the man in the cottage next to hers used to dive into the water the minute her family started up their boat engine. Then he'd swim as far out from his dock as he dared and float on his back in an effort to discourage them from skiing near his place. He was also known to complain that they started skiing too early in the morning and kept it up too late in the long summer evenings. Laurie said it was wonderful skiing late because the lake was so calm and she felt like she was flying over its surface.

Her last few words were almost drowned out by one of those infernal ski boats thundering past Maureen's dock. A young male straddled the machine, his female companion seated behind him and hanging on for dear life. The dock rocked, its old barrels clanging together beneath the boards. The sound reminded Maureen of her own childhood's dock, jostled by their boat as it took off with yet another city friend they were trying to teach to water ski during a weekend visit. Now, despite the rocking, neither she nor her friends said a word. Perhaps we're all thinking back, she thought, back to when we were so caught up in having fun we gave no thought to the comfort of others. It was such fun that even now it's still fresh in our minds.

She recalled the swell of the boat as it rose up like a whale, labouring to pull a shaky skier up along with it. Sometimes it succeeded and there would be whoops of joy from the shore and a wide smile from the novice desperately trying to maintain her balance. It was at those times that all sorts of personal characteristics showed themselves.

There was the natural, the person who was able to get up the first time and then stay up for a tour around the bay. Then there was the poor soul lacking balance, coordination and confidence, who tried again and again but only achieved a nose full of water. It was at this point that persistence and defeat had about a fifty-fifty chance of carrying the day. Later that night there could be sore bodies, aching from newly used muscles or crashing into the lake, rock hard when hit at a certain speed and particular angle. Eyes would be red, even stomachs upset if too much water had been ingested. But mostly there would be exhaustion as they fell into their beds and slept like the dead. Only to get up and do the same thing the next day.

When the time came for Maureen and her friends to call it a night, they were still talking about those long ago summers. It seemed to Maureen they stepped a little lighter and smiled a little brighter as they took their leave. She wondered if any of them were going to go looking for old water skis the next day. Sometimes you just never knew what was still kicking around.



pic of the past

All the recent Pics of the Past from Bill Francis have piqued the interest of his cousin Gren Schrader of Oakville. He sent along this wedding photo of Robert Milburn and Lydia Ferguson, two shared relatives from Gelert. The men are Frank Hamilton and Robert Milburn. The women are Jannet (Hoyle) Hamilton, Lydia Ferguson and Margaret Francis. Let's hope someone in the family kept the beautiful hats.

letters to the editor

Asphalt worker says 'No!'

To the Editor:

I know first hand about the noise, disgusting smell, dust and major increase in heavy traffic that is all part and parcel with an asphalt plant operation. The reason I know this is because I worked in the industry for many years and my office was directly across the street from an asphalt plant.

I came up to Haliburton and invested some \$300,000 or so in this county to get away from these types of operations. It should also be clear to any person who is paying attention that there is no need for such plants in Haliburton. The numerous kilometres currently being paved this summer in our county with asphalt being supplied from near by counties with existing plants shows these existing plants are more than capable, more than happy to meet all of the asphalt demands and more then what is required in Haliburton.

I can also assure you that Royal Paving/ K.J. Beamesh Construction, located in King City, has absolutely no concern or interest in what is good for the residents or the environment of Haliburton County. Their motives are purely profit and greed driven and no one should make any mistake about this fact.

In the July 12th *Echo* article Dennis Simmons, a consultant for Beamish, referred to the many concerned citizens of Haliburton as a squawking and a noisy minority. My first thoughts after reading this were of anger and disgust. It is apparent that he was not paying any attention what so ever to

the vast number of very concerned citizens in all of Haliburton County during the summer of 2003 who remain adamantly opposed to this plant and for good reasons.

Also in reading the *Echo* article it is also clear to me that Simmons has substantial financial rewards to be gained from the success of this venture and his comments should not be considered at neutral or in any way reflecting what is the best option for Haliburton County. I guess what I am attempting to say is that there is a huge conflict of interest going on here when he speaks of what is best for the people of Irondale.

I also know that these Beamish people will not go away easily and that is why, when one of my good friends asked me about investing in a property in Haliburton, I had to be honest with him when I said that he should purchase as far away from this proposed plant area as possible if he expects to retain good value in his investment and if he expects to enjoy his time spent here. I cannot even imagine having an asphalt plant any place close to where nature is enjoyed or close to any person who came here to escape the noise and pollution associated with big city life. The few local jobs that may occur as a result of an asphalt plant are not worth what will be lost in this community if they succeed with this plant.

Glenn Burkett
Via e-mail

More letters are on pages 7, 8

Boonieville by Charlie Teljeur



There is no dispute over God's views

To the Editor:

Re: Same sex marriage issue hotly debated, letters, July 12.

In his letter, Wayne Cooper argues that, since "the handful of verses from both the Old and New Testaments that can be said to concern homosexuality have been hotly debated", no one ought "to speak for God and tell us what the Creator thinks." Cooper then sets out to tell us what we should think, presumably because the Creator has not made Himself clear. Discerning readers will note the presumption in this position.

Why would there be any debate about what the Bible says about homosexuality? The passages are so clear that there have been objections to them being quoted [see Echo editorial, July 15, 2003] and they can be understood by even the least literate among us. Rather, the problem is that they are so clear that they leave no wiggle room for those who want to justify homosexual behaviour by appealing to "what the Creator thinks".

That religious leaders engage in hot debates says more about those leaders than about the perspicuity of the Bible. It was to religious leaders that Jesus said,

"because I tell the truth, you do not believe me" [John 8:45, emphasis added]. The debate may not be motivated so much by a search for truth as by an unwillingness to believe it and to act on it.

As to the issue of "speak[ing] for God" when God makes Himself abundantly clear, those who equivocate over His pronouncements need to ask themselves for whom they are speaking.

Let's have the intellectual honesty to agree that the Bible's position on homosexual behaviour is clear. That will settle the issue for genuine Christians [i.e. followers of Jesus Christ who taught that the Scriptures are the authoritative Word of God]. Others may appeal to other authorities, but I would caution them against twisting the Bible to say what they want it to say.

Let's also be clear that the Bible teaches the followers of Jesus Christ to be loving and gentle even with those who oppose the truth "so that they may know the truth, and that they may come to their senses and escape the snare of the devil, having been taken captive by him to do his will" [2 Timothy 2:25-26].

May "the God who is there and who is not silent" lead us in the way of truth.

Don Wood
RR1 Haliburton

'We are not free until all are free'

To the Editor:

Hats off and thanks to Gillian Ottley and Wayne Cooper for their clear and powerful letters in last week's *Echo* on the subject of human rights, marriage, religion, and discrimination.

As Mr. Cooper so effectively points out, the ones who suffer most from the fallout of homophobia are often gay and lesbian youth, who are so vulnerable anyway. It is a personal tragedy and a waste of human resources for gay youth to have to manage a life that is at least partly hidden, to not have the benefit of the full sunlight of community approval and indeed celebration that is accorded heterosexual people.

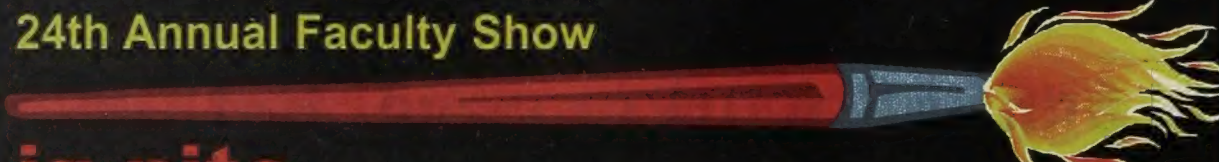
Official confirmation of the full human rights of gay and lesbian people is a great step; now we as a community need to follow suit with strategies to encourage us all to release the fear and hatred that limits so many lives. A Gay-Straight Alliance chapter would go a long way to helping high school staff and students eliminate homophobia.

What about the rest of the community? Homophobia, like racism and sexism, limits us all. We are not free until all are free. The world has many real issues needing our attention and prayer. If people want to pray about gay people, they could pray that those who use religion to mask their homophobia might let it go, get over it, and walk as equals with us all as we work to build community, not walls.

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Religion can be used for good and bad

To the Editor:

I was most impressed by two letters written in the July 12 edition of the Echo – one by Wayne Cooper and the other by Gillian Ottley.

"Satanizing" gay and lesbian individuals reminds me of times when burning witches at the stake and hanging of blacks by Klan members were the norm. Religion can be used to empower or disempower, it can be a powerful tool in fighting for justice (as seen by some churches work on issues such as poverty, human rights issues, etc.) or it can be a powerful tool used to further discrimination and marginalization of some members of society.

Historically, religion was a large factor in stopping women and people of colour from voting, owning property, etc. Now some are employing Christianity as a means to further marginalize the gay-an lesbian members (according to Wayne Cooper five percent) of our community.

I would hope as a community that we strive for all people to feel accepted and included. It is alarming to learn that gay and aboriginal youth have such alarming suicide rates. As a community let us not further contribute to those suicide rates but promote an accepting society by what we say, pray and do – at home, at church, at school and at work.

Marg Cox,
Haliburton

St. George's has been in capable hands for past year

To the Editor:

The Anglican Parish of Haliburton is awaiting the arrival of our new priest, The Reverend Fawn Harriman, but your Here, There and Everywhere column would lead one to assume (and we all know what that does!) that the parish was with out spiritual leadership since the departure of Reverend Greaves....this is patently untrue.

As the ad on the same page as the article states, we are a community of people learning to follow Jesus and have for the past year had our Interim Priest, The Reverend Sharon Melvin, to guide us.

Bishop George Elliot, in his letter to The Parish states the situation well and I quote him here. "I want to take this opportunity to thank Sharon for her ministry over this past year. She has faithfully served the people of St. George's and St. Margaret's under the direction of Bishop Colin. I believe Sharon has played a significant role in shepherding this parish to the place where you now wait expectantly for the arrival of your new Incumbent."

One of the appreciative and now waiting parishioners of St. George's,

Barb Morrow
Haliburton

Garbage is not a friendly souvenir

To the Editor:

Each summer we see the garbage left along our roadsides but on the July 1st weekend the culprits stopped by our place.

Upon returning home Sunday afternoon after a few hours at work, I was welcomed home to not one but six bags of garbage left at the end of our driveway. All six bags contained empty beer cans, pop cans half eaten food and anything else one might find after a large party.

Checking with my neighbour I found it had been the work of not one but three cars, one being a small red compact. If anyone else witnessed this occurrence on Harburn Rd., approx. five miles north of Hwy. #118 and recognized them, I would love to hear from them.

Otherwise I ask anyone who may witness something similar to please get a place number and report them to police. These types of visitors are not welcome here.

Rolf Gryciuk,
Harburn Road

Praise for Haliburton's healthcare system

To the Editor:

On Thursday, July 7 I came up to my cottage and began the usual unpacking of clothes, goods, etc. I began having pains in my back on the left side and later my chest. I thought it was indigestion but by 3:00 a.m. Friday morning I decided to go to the hospital. Immediately the emergency team began an ECG and called Dr. Heyes; he ordered some blood tests as well. After all, when a senior woman comes in with chest pain, there is danger that this may be a warning of a heart attack. I told Dr. Heyes I am an asthmatic and that my left lung is often troublesome.

The ECGs and blood work confirmed that my heart was not in trouble so Dr. Heyes, who had to leave his shift, left me in the capable hands of Dr. Coles who ordered a chest x-ray. He saw a spot on the left lung and ordered the ambulance to take me to Peterborough

for a CAT scan. The ambulance came and found the CAT scan machine in Peterborough was down so I was taken to Lindsay instead.

By the time I arrived back at the Haliburton hospital, Dr. Coles had the result of my CAT scan and informed me that indeed, it was my left lung and I had pneumonia. I had no other symptoms, no cold, no fever, no general malaise. He prescribed a strong antibiotic but encouraged me to contact my respirologist in Toronto.

I know that many people are not happy with the health care in Ontario but we only hear from them. I just wanted to let Haliburtonians know that in 13 hours at the Haliburton hospital I was seen, tested, x-rayed, had a CAT scan, diagnosed and treated.

You have much to be grateful for in Haliburton and are truly blessed with good health care.

Sally-Ann Kerman,
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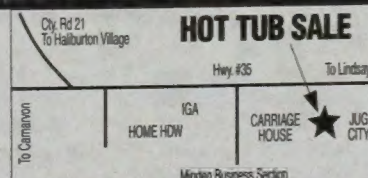
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Lobbyists have renewed hope for the future of Frost Centre

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member of PermaFrost, the volunteer lobby group that formed less than a week after the Ministry of Natural Resources suddenly closed the Frost Centre last July.

"It's really gratifying to see that the committee and the government have responded to the community's needs," Martin said. "It's also significant that the recommendations were framed in the context of a broader need for outdoor and environmental education."

Dave Heaven, another key member of PermaFrost, says, "The right things were said by both sides and I'm very encouraged that Minister Phillips is going to make this one of his commitments."

Last summer Heaven helped organize several protests against the Frost Centre's closure including rallies in both Haliburton County and Toronto, e-mail campaigns, petitions and the fundraising comedy night featuring Ron James.

As he watched the committee take on the "monumental task" of finding partners who would be willing to play a role in re-opening the Frost Centre, "I moved from mild cynicism to some sort of hope that it might actually work."

"I'm pleased and very optimistic. I think Mr. Phillips is genuine in saying 'Don't let a good thing go,'" said Haliburton-Kawartha Lakes-Brock MPP Laurie Scott, who worked with fellow MPPs Jeff Leal of Peterborough and Norm Miller of Muskoka to persuade the government to establish the working committee. She also kept the issue alive in Queen's Park.

"I hope the government will be working very quickly," she said Friday. "The working committee has done an outstanding job. The Frost Centre is our legacy."

Algonquin Highlands Reeve Eleanor Harrison thanked Phillips for being the Frost Centre's champion and praised his willingness to be involved with the process of finding new management partners. (The committee is recommending that there never be a new "owner" of the Frost Centre. All the recommendations involve leasing the property or, if no partners are found, tearing down the buildings and having the property revert to its natural state, open to all.)

The morning's presentation started with Desbiens, the retired president of Fleming College, extending the committee's thanks to all the people who helped along the way. He also outlined the year's work and provided a synopsis of the final report.

Desbiens stressed that the government has not declared the 23,000 hectares of forests surrounding the



MARTHA PERKINS/Echo

After the formal presentation of the Frost Centre Working Committee's final report, cabinet minister Gerry Phillips talks with Dave and Jan Heaven about PermaFrost's future role.

Hwy. 35 buildings as surplus, nor the 900 acres that include the Ranger camp. Instead, the committee was given the task of determining the future of the 40 acres of dormitories, classrooms and staff housing on St. Nora's Lake.

As well as meeting regularly and hiring consultant David Gibson to help with the workload, the committee hosted two meetings to get public interest. It also posted an online questionnaire and conducted a telephone survey. Several groups and individuals with interest in the Frost Centre approached the committee and the province's Environment Commissioner encouraged the committee to lobby the government to get the need for environmental education written into the Environmental Bill of Rights.

It was when he broke away from his formal presentation and spoke passionately about the role that the Frost Centre has to play in the lives of all Ontarians that Desbiens earned his audience's applause.

"The land is worth something, the buildings are worth something, the jobs are worth something, but there's something much more precious about the Frost Centre - an outdoor education experience."

Pierre Berton once wrote that what defines Canadians is our tie to the land. What of the new Canadians who have not had the opportunity to forge that tie, or children growing up in urban areas?

Noting that Phillips has a cottage in the Highlands, Desbiens said that already is an investment in something special, the province's natural beauty. But not everyone can afford a cottage and the Frost Centre provided an opportunity for people of all walks of life to experience the outdoors and to learn how to manage its resources wisely.

"You're our champion," Desbiens told Phillips. "You know what I mean by something priceless and we need you to articulate that on our behalf."

"It's hot outside and you just put the heat on more," Phillips said with a smile in response.

Referring to a letter in the *Minden Times* by David Suzuki in support of the working committee's recommendations, Phillips said that he had gone to high school with Suzuki in London. And when Phillips ran for the Scarborough school board early in his political career, one of his platforms was the need for outdoor education.

The report, he said, "outlines the need for relentless pursuit of a good idea. I don't see anything I find a disagreement with. It's a sound report heading in the right direction."

"We're going to act on the report," Phillips said. "We're committed to proceed with requests for proposals and we'll do it as quickly as we can. The longer we wait the more challenging the buildings will become."

"I do know of the enormous love for the Frost Centre and it's not just in this area. People from across Ontario have it. It is a jewel that is important."

The key, Phillips said, is to have an ongoing mechanism to keep the focus on the process. There needs to be a local group the government can work with as expressions of interest come in from various private and public sector groups.

"There are lots of demands on government but if we're creative and engage the community, my belief is there will be a way to find a viable long-term solution. I assure you I will remain engaged 'on this file,' to use the jargon. I'm keenly interested in the file."

Haliburton County Warden Jim McMahon thanked Phillips for taking a personal interest in the Frost's future. "You're a man of your word. You've renewed faith in the community. Anyone who can't see a future for the Frost Centre, there's something wrong with them."

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MNR has authority over asphalt plant

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During a morning break, Howe dismissed such notions.

"This is a different situation," said Davis. "That's Crown land; we have no say over it. Why would we

try to influence decisions that [the ministry] should be making?"

The proposed plant would provide asphalt for projects up to 80 kilometres from the proposed location. Since news of the proposal came to light, the township has heard opinions on both sides of the issue from within the Irondale community.

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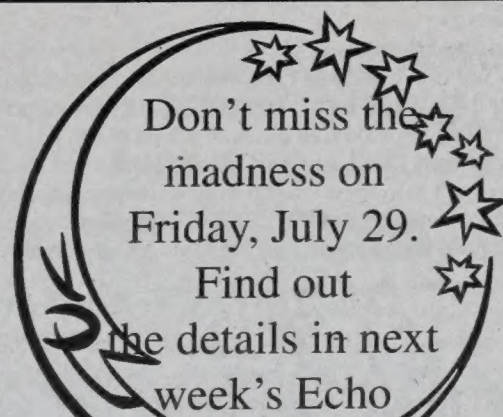
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A wet race

The annual Haliburton Lions Club mini-boat race raised more than \$3,300 for sight-related causes, including \$500 to the CNIB last Wednesday night. The little yellow boats were released by the Emmerson Lumber dam and floated down the Drag River to the bridge at Hwy. 118 where Lions Club members were there to retrieve them – and determine the winners of the annual fundraising event.

Highlands East opens septage lagoon

The following are brief highlights from the Highlands East council meeting on July 12.

Environment and Property Supervisor Glen Covert announced that the septage trench site on Hwy 118 is now operational. The site will be open from 7 a.m. to 3 p.m. from Monday to Friday, with disposal being done by appointment only.

It is expected that the Ministry of Environment's technical branch will be paying a visit to the site sometime over the summer months. Council accepted a quote from Greer Galloway in the amount of \$3,700 to monitor the site, work that will primarily consist of ground and surface water sampling.

Recycling assistance

The township has received its first payment of 2005 from Waste Diversion Ontario and Stewardship Ontario. The first of four payments, this one worth \$7,500, goes toward assisting municipal recycling programs.

Fire calls up

Fire Chief Don Middleton reported a busy June with the departments receiving more than 20 calls for assistance,

bringing the year-to-date total to 110 calls. Middleton attributes the high number to the rising local population rate.

Meanwhile, the township managed to sell its 1979 rescue van to the Wallaston Fire Department for \$7,000 while at the same time it purchased a 2000 Ford vehicle from the county for \$5,000.

Council appointed two new volunteer firefighters: Rob Shorthill (station #3) and Cheryl Ellis (station #2).

Enforcement issues

Policing stray dogs is proving to be "time consuming", Middleton says. He has received two dog calls in the last two weekends, one of which required the removal of a pit bull from Gooderham.

He even received a request from the Ministry of Environment to investigate a garbage burning complaint, something both Middleton and council feel should not be the township's jurisdiction.

The Ministry of Transportation addressed Middleton's concern that his firefighters were spending too much time directing traffic at accidents. The ministry has a contract with TWD Roads Management Inc. to provide traffic control and set up detours.

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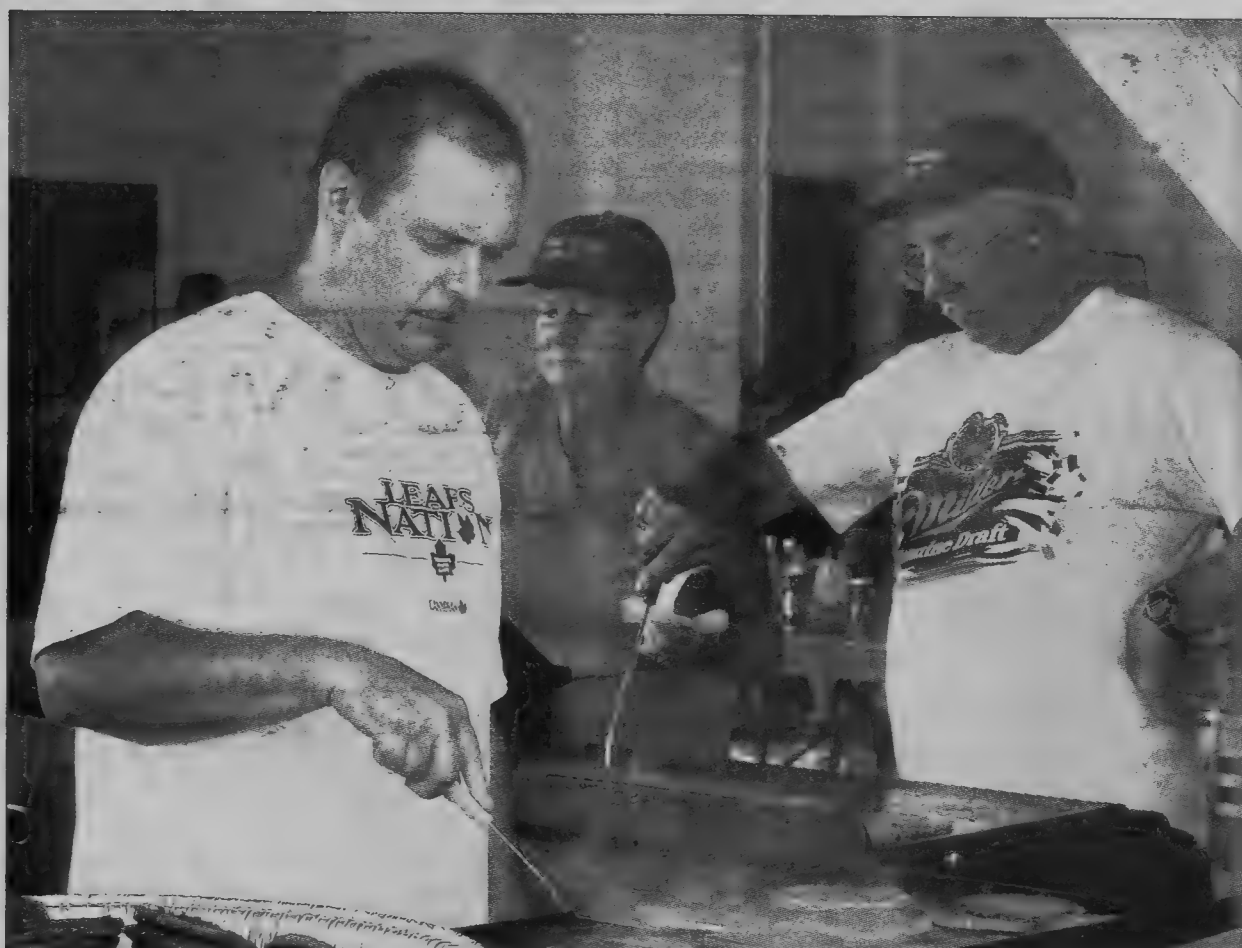
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Conserve energy, save money

Electricity costs are on the increase as consumers use more and more energy to keep cool during the oppressive summer heat.

To try and reduce the need for energy, which could trigger another massive blackout, energy producers are suggesting ways the public can lower their energy consumption.

One way to reduce energy usage is to hang your clothes out to dry rather than using a dryer. Typical dryer units use almost 5,000 watts of energy, compared to the washer which uses only about 500 watts. A dryer is one of the biggest users of electricity in your

house.

Another way to save on the electricity bill is to use ceiling fans rather than air conditioners.

A 60 watt ceiling fan costs about \$1 per month, while an air conditioner will cost between \$26-178 per month.

As well, cleaning that old air conditioner often will keep the energy cost low and the cooling high.

And, why not stop sunlight from heating the house by keeping blinds or drapes down during really hot days. This will reduce your need to spend money to keep your house cool.

Burnt River bridge construction begins

Two bridges on City of Kawartha Lakes Rd. 44 in Burnt River will be rehabilitated this summer and will result in traffic detours.

Construction will begin the week of July 18th on the southernmost bridge, known as Lambs Bridge. The road will be closed at the bridge and traffic detoured up across the north bridge, otherwise known as Hodgsons Bridge.

Once construction has been completed on the south bridge, crews will begin on the north bridge. Traffic will be detoured to the south bridge during that time.

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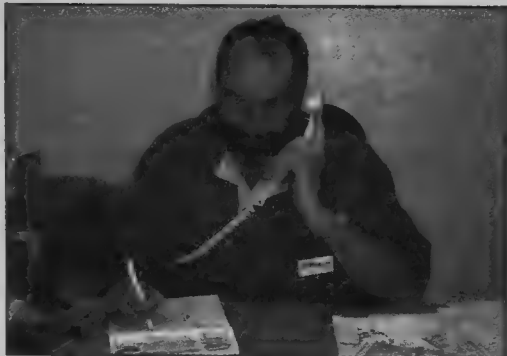
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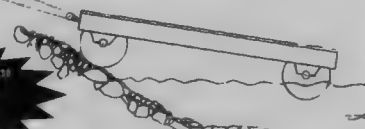
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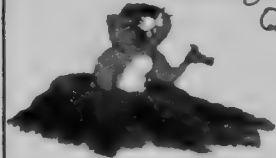
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The key to Gerry Phillips

Ontario's new Minister of Government Services, a practical philosopher who also happens to be a champion of the Frost Centre, says, 'You get these little breaks. You stumble periodically and, if you're lucky, someone's there to catch you'

Story, photos by Martha Perkins

It's ten to nine on a Saturday morning and Gerry Phillips arrives at the *Echo* office for an interview only to find the building is locked. Most other Kennisis Lake cottagers are still sitting on their decks wondering what to do on this first holiday weekend of the summer yet he's already had a meeting with two local politicians.

The reporter arrives, thinking she's doing well to be early for a nine o'clock appointment and scrambles for her office keys. The key slides into the lock but it won't turn. She can't get the door to open. Terrific first impression, she says, before asking Phillips to try.

As chairman of the Ontario government's management board of cabinet he might hold the purse strings of the province but he too can't get the key to turn on such a humid morning. Since it is the Saturday of a long weekend there's little hope of another *Echo* staffer coming to the rescue any time soon so they walk up to the Kozy Komer only to find a 10-minute wait for a table. Nix that idea. How about Head Lake Park?

This is how it came to pass that Phillips, totally unflummoxed by it all, spent an hour and a half sitting on a park bench overlooking the lake and watching the world – and their dogs – walk by as he reflected on how to balance three of the big loves of his life: his family, politics and the cottage.

"I get these romantic notions," he smiles. One notion is that in a past life he was a small engine mechanic. At the cottage he has a 1946 tugboat, a second

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Gerry Phillips was unfazed when his recent interview with Martha Perkins didn't work out quite as planned (the door to the *Echo* office wouldn't open). Instead of being in the newspaper office, the two spent an hour and a half chatting at Head Lake Park, talking about everything from politics to the Frost Centre to family – which is so important to him. Below are some photos from the Phillips family album. They include his wife, his children and grandchildren.





"I get these romantic notions," Gerry Phillips says of his outdoor train set and his 26' tugboat, both great ways to slow life down. To Phillips, Haliburton is about family, and the cottage has become a favourite gathering place. A few years ago

Phillips and his grandson Jesse trekked into town for Midnight Madness, where Jesse got his face painted by Julia Van Lieshout.

'I just love going out and putting around the lake,' he says of the bright red 26' tugboat.

'It goes very slow. In Toronto you never hear the sound of nothing and here you step into a different world.'

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boat, an outdoor train set and three snowmobiles and yet, apart from being able to start them, he's helpless. But he does have a son who's a "mechanical genius" so at least he's not hopeless.

"I just love going out and putting around the lake," he says of the bright red 26' tugboat. "It goes very slow. In Toronto you never hear the sound of nothing and here you step into a different world."

And it's a world everyone needs. Phillips tries to make it to the Highlands every three weeks in every season. He knows that if he doesn't schedule a week-end visit his other life will consume him. (He's since been shuffled from Management Board to be Minister of Government Services.) It's to help him cope with the demands of balancing the province's ever-expanding needs with its limited financial resources that he needs his Haliburton respite.

"I think experience teaches you that you can handle stress for only a certain period of time," he says. "Your body and soul, I guess, need to turn it off. Your body forces you to slow down."

When his four children were young, he did that at hockey arenas. At the time he was chairman of the Metro Toronto School board and ran three retail-based companies with 300 employees but coaching his sons' teams kept him grounded. (He remembers coming to Haliburton for the Glen Dart tournament.)

When his children were teenagers, he and his wife Kay thought of buying a cottage but they knew that if they wanted to go to the cottage their kids would want to stay home in Toronto without them. Now it's an ideal time to have a cottage because his children are having children and they want a place to get together.

Their photo albums are full of scenes from the cottage, winter, spring, summer and fall.

"We looked further south but I like the rocks, the hills," he says of the search that drew them to Haliburton eight years ago. "One of our sons' father-in-law is one of those guys who researches things. He said the two best lakes were Redstone and Kennisis. They're at the headwaters so they're clean and they're unspoiled still. It's not like Muskoka. Someone made a great decision to keep boathouses off the lakes. You get a beautiful view."

"Plus, we really like Haliburton Forest. We had the kids up two weeks ago and it was raining so we went to the Wolf Centre and fed the pigs and horses. Haliburton Forest is quite unique and Peter Schleifenbaum is very well regarded in the environment community. Haliburton Forest is a big asset [for the Highlands]."

There are always responsibilities that could draw him away from his regular visits to the cottage. "The only way to do it is book the time. You have to try and put some priority on your personal life. That's a bonus of the cottage. It's encouraged me to book that time."

He compensates for the weekends away by being an early riser. "At 5:30 I wake up and go to work at 6:30, quarter to seven. I'm doing what I want so this isn't a 'Woe is me' story. I eat lunch at my desk and open the sports page."

It also helps that his riding of Scarborough-Agincourt is "three kilometres by three kilometres. I can ride my bike around it in an hour." One MPP has a riding that's 1,000 km wide with 21 First Nations and 31 municipalities. Phillips' riding is ethnically diverse but there are few other levels of government to deal with.

But where's the ego rush from being a minister in the Ontario cabinet? It's certainly not present in his demeanour.

He smiles. "Eventually every politician's ego exceeds their talents. I just say to myself, I do my best. I have enough experience to know you have to stay pretty even."

"I was a cabinet minister in the '80s [in the Citizenship and Labour portfolios] and when you're defeated and it all leaves you, you learn a lot. When we got back in I knew my IQ hadn't gone up 10 points."

"The magic in life is to understand yourself well enough to know what truly motivates you. I'm in politics because I like it. I thought about it enough to know I enjoyed public service, making public decisions. On your deathbed I don't think you'll take a lot of satisfaction by looking at your bank account."

"Why do I enjoy it? I can make a difference."

His family also keeps him pretty grounded. Kay is a professional quilter who was once named Canada's Quilter of the Year. They live five doors from one of their children, two blocks from another and their youngest son still lives at home. Their grandson comes to have lunch with Kay every school day.

"The family has been an oasis," he says. "When I come home it's like going to the cottage. I can step into another world which has been extremely helpful. We don't talk politics and I seldom watch the news at night."

"My children are very good to me. They treat me well. They know if I'm feeling a little down and come over to see me."

"There's nothing more important than a human relationship and nothing more valuable than an individual's time. You can have all the money in the world but if someone doesn't show they care, it doesn't mean anything."

Phillips pauses as a mother duck and her brood

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'There's no correlation between how much money you spend and how happy you are'

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swim by, one of those simple but calming moments that you can't enjoy unless you've given yourself time to slow down.

"There's no correlation between how much money you spend and how happy you are," he reflects. "I love my tugboat. I could have spent five times as much on a bigger boat but it is what gives me pleasure. I had a friend who used to think that the acquisition of material things would make him happy. He'd get something and he wouldn't be happy. What was making him happy was the thought that it would make him happy to buy something and what made him unhappy was the realization that he'd have to find something else to make him happy."

"This is pretty cheap [sitting here on a park bench overlooking Head Lake] but it's pretty good."

Now, as anyone who has watched a politician being interviewed knows, it's often difficult to get them to say anything beyond what they want the public to know. If they're not the type who are jockeying for headlines or the limelight, they're burying any vestiges of spontaneity or original thought to avoid saying anything that might trip them up with the media or voters.

Phillips, on the other hand, is very at ease sitting there on the park bench. He says that if he doesn't dress in a suit people often don't recognize him and today, in his polo shirt, he's just another person enjoying the view of the lake. As the French say, he's a man who walks in his shoes. He doesn't try to be anything other than what he is and what he is is a thoughtful, contemplative man who's



Phillips has become known as one of the Frost Centre's most powerful champions.

known enough of the highs and lows of life to feel grateful to be in the middle.

"I'm one of those people who's been lucky in life," he says. "I grew up in a home that was completely comfortable." But he doesn't mean comfortable in a financial way. "There was a junkyard across from my house and a railway across the way. We were the only house in my neighbourhood in London with indoor plumbing. But this isn't a poor boy story. It was a home without stress or worry."

His luck also continued after he got his business degree from the University of Western Ontario. "I had this interview with Procter and Gamble and it was cold weather and I was driving this fuel oil truck. I cancelled the interview but someone phoned and told me to come. I got the job."

"You get these little breaks. You stumble periodically and if you're lucky someone's there to catch you."

Politics has been described as a blood sport, but that's a game Phillips refuses to play. "I made a promise to myself that I'd be myself. I keep saying to myself, 'Separate the politics from the people.' [Partisanship] can wear you down. I

don't think badly of people that have a different opinion."

"I've also practised the policy that everything I do in private will be seen in public. I never say something publicly that I'm not prepared to say one-on-one. That's stood me in good stead."

Not everyone has returned the favour, however.

One Christmas Eve Phillips and his wife spent four hours at the wedding of a friend's daughter. The friend was a

lawyer who had a human rights case against the government. A short time after the wedding, this man used the media to call for Phillips' resignation from cabinet. When Phillips called him on it, the friend replied, "You're not taking this personally, are you Gerry?"

Yes, Gerry was.

Phillips also works hard at not taking all the compliments and obsequiousness that can come with being a cabinet minister to heart. When he was in the David Peterson cabinet he had a chauffeur. Now he drives himself. He tries to talk to as many people from outside of politics as possible to retain a sense of what's real.

"Queen's Park is a problem," he says. "You can completely lose perspective. It is, in a way, surrounded by a moat. There's only one traffic light to get across and there are no cab stands. You think you are listening to people because you are meeting with them all the time but then you realize that you're meeting with people who have access to you and often people who told me what I wanted to hear because they wanted something."

When Phillips' cabinet colleague, the Minister of Natural Resources, David Ramsay, closed the Frost Centre last July, the *Haliburton County Echo* and *Minden Times* led the charge against the government. In editorials, news stories and letters to the editor, the government's actions were lambasted page after page, week after week.

Yet, when the papers started covering the Frost Centre Working Committee, an

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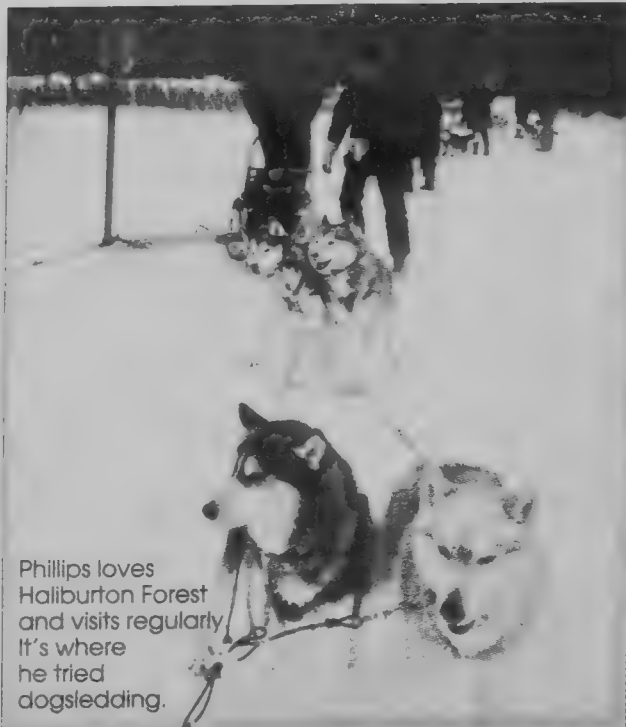
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Phillips loves Haliburton Forest and visits regularly. It's where he tried dogsledding.

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extremely talented group of volunteers whom Phillips helped pull together to come up with an alternative use of the Frost, it became clear that Phillips was one of the strongest, and certainly the most powerful, allies the Frost Centre had.

"I truly am trying to find a viable solution," he says. "The worst thing we could do in the Frost is something that's not viable in the long term."

Phillips knows from the e-mails and letters he received that the Frost Centre is highly valued by people from across the province. Until he started reading these entreaties to keep the Frost open, "I had never quite appreciated the breadth of experience of the Frost. It's a really interesting facility in a unique location with a historical reputation and I appreciate that."

On Friday, Phillips was applauded when he accepted two of the committee's key recommendations. He cautioned, of course, that the government couldn't simply say, "Thy will be done," but he gave the audience a sense of hope when he promised them that he would, in political jargon, "stay with the file." Then he apologized for falling back on the jargon. Turning to Brian Desbiens, the chairman of the working committee and fellow Kennisis Lake cottager, Phillips joked that as a member of the government that had closed the Frost, every time he went out on the lake he wore dark glasses and pulled his hat down low so no one would recognize him and take him to task.

Gerry Phillips can ditch the disguise. His actions and his commitment to the Frost Centre over the past year have earned him more accolades than scorn, more new friends than enemies. Kennisis Lake can still be a place where politics doesn't matter and life is at its simplest best.



Money for nature

The Junior Field Naturalists received a donation of \$1,000 to run the outdoor education programs that encourage children to learn and enjoy nature. Donations of \$500 each were given by the Haliburton Legion Executive member Bill Scott presented the cheque to Haliburton Highlands Field Naturalists Co-Chair Sheila Ziman, and sub-committee member Verne Brinsmead, a founding member of the Junior Naturalist program. This program is sponsored by the Haliburton Highlands Field Naturalists. This is the program's fourth year. (Photo by Darren Lum.)

Packed house for dance

The dance on July 16 was a great success, with entertainment by Marjorie, Willy and Steve. They packed the house with their Good Country Music.

At the last general membership meeting a motion was passed to cancel the meetings for July and August.

This is the Year of the Veteran and is well worth mentioning again, because if we were not for the veterans we would not have our freedom.

The 7th annual mixed golf tournament will take place at Cedar Meadows Golf Course on Elephant Lake Rd. on July 23. The registration fee is \$35 per person. This includes a stuffed roast pork dinner at the Wilberforce Legion at 5 p.m. You can register at the Legion, but space is limited to the first 72 entries. You can bring your own foursome or we will match you up. The first tee-off is at 10 a.m. Rent your own cart; this was done this way because some would like to walk the course.

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Mel Smith

There are many, many prizes to be won. For further information call John Sorensen at 448-2738, or the Branch at 448-2221.

Don't forget:

Executive Meeting and Ladies Auxiliary meetings are August 2 at 7 p.m.

Dart Night is held on Wednesday at 7:30 p.m.. This is a social night and new players are always welcome.

Euchre is every Thursday afternoon at 1 at the Wilberforce Legion. Also I hold Euchre at the Harcourt Community Centre Thursday nights at 7:30. This is a non-smoking event, but we take a little break after the fifth game for those who need to go outside for a smoke break.

The Meat Draw is every Saturday at 3 p.m..

As you can plainly see there is a lot going on at our Legion branch.

This is a repeat of a poem requested by President Dave Burton.

The Perfect Legion

I think that I shall never see
a branch that's all it ought to be,
A branch whose members never stray
beyond the straight and narrow way.
A branch that has no empty chair,
whose President never need despair,
A branch whose members always pay
their dues in time without delay.
Whose Gossips never peddle lies
or make complaints or criticize,
here all are always sweet and kind
and to all other faults are blind.
Such Perfect branches there may be,
but none of them are known to me,
But still we'll work, play and plan
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Here is an opportunity for you to find the answers to many of these questions. On Saturday, July 23 gather up your fishing pole, favourite lure, rituals and superstitions and come out to win the bragging rights, money and prestige at the 8th Annual Harcourt Bass Tournament. Be ready for the 7 a.m. blast-off of fishermen taking part in this great live-release bass fishing tournament on Elephant, Baptiste and Benoir Lakes.

First prize is \$1,500 and there will be a Big Bass Prize of \$500. There will also be prize payouts to 2nd to 9th teams and a parent-child prize. Only 100 two-person teams will be allowed entrance and there are still a few openings. You can

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Valerie Smith
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pick up registration forms at Elephant Lake Lodge 448-2861 or contact Ed Otto at 448-2106. Proceeds from the tournament go to Harcourt recreation development.

On Thursday evenings at the Harcourt Community Centre there is a popular card game played called euchre. Right

Bower, Left Bower, trump, the kitty, dealer, shuffle and deal the cards are all terms one quickly learns. In addition, one learns quickly to "never trump your partner's ace." It is a great game and there are many friendly people to assist you. Time: doors open at 6:45 p.m. and games get underway at 7:30 p.m. Cost is only \$2 to play and that includes a light lunch with tea and coffee. For more information, please call Mel Smith at 448-3640

More events include:

Wednesday, July 20 - 7:30 p.m. Bingo. For more information, please call

Debbie Shatraw at 448 - 3155.

Saturday, July 23rd - "Harcourt's 8th Annual Bass Tournament". For more information, call Ed Otto at 448-2106.

Wednesday, July 20 - 7:30 p.m. Prayer meeting and Bible study at the Harcourt Community Chapel in Harcourt. For more information, please call 448-CARE (2273).

Sunday, July 24 - 11:00 a.m. - Morning Service. 7 p.m. - Evening Service with guest speaker Dr. William McRae. Both services are to be held at the Harcourt Community Chapel in Harcourt. For more information, please call 448-CARE (2273).

Devon goes for the gold - twice - at karate contest

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Dale and Darlene McConnell's son, Devon won two gold medals at a recent Karate event in Peterborough.

Seventeen children, including the four Henderson grandchildren, attended the Monarch Bible Camp this past week at the Guilford Baptist Church.

The evening of musical dancing talent on July 29 is shaping up nicely with some very fine local talent. Donations go to the Forgotten Children Rescue Fund, an offshoot of CBMI.

all who contributed to its funding and installation.

Edna and Bill Wark send this report of their recent adventures: In June we took part in a bike barge trip to Holland with 23 other cyclists from Haliburton. We boarded The Iris in Amsterdam and cycled each day for a total of approximately 300km in a week. The barge moved along the canals to meet us. What a wonderful way to see this beautiful country. We had a great trip!

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Talk about Good Times!

Great parade entries and some serious talent enlivened weekend

At the Annual Country Good Times Festival this past weekend the winners in the Amateur Talent Show on Saturday afternoon were: Senior Dance – the Wilberforce Cloggers; Senior Vocals – first Denise Gantz, second John Luxton, third Leah Johnston. Instrumental: first Cory Vanderburg (accordion), second Mac McNabb (violin). Junior vocal prizes went to Stephanie Davis (first) and to duet Christina and Jessica Davis (second). Congratulations and thanks to them and to all those who entertained the folks who came to listen and enjoy at the L.W.M. Centre. The music of Classic Country accompanied them and was well received.

There were some very good entries in the C.G. Times parade. Judges' special float prizes went to the Wilberforce Rockets hockey people. The Loop Troupe won the Most Imaginative Float prize with sailors and mermaid cooling off. The best commercial float was that of Joyce Bowman Limited Edition Gift Shop. Janet Barker's Linkert Bakery won the best comedy float award. The Wilberforce Heritage Guild float with windmill was judged the Best Theme Float. Judges' Choice Vehicles were the Agnews and the Riley entries. All of these entries portrayed well the "Coolin' in the Country" theme. The Best Family Entry was that of the Stewart Taylor family. All of

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Hilda Clark
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the above winners won plaques and the same prize money.

It was great to have horses in the parade. Tammy Donaldson and her horse won first. Jocelyn and Kristy and their horses were great too. Cec Andrus with the horses and wagon was second.

The best decorated bicycles were those of Chantelle Giardino and Emma Tallman. The most entertaining individuals were: Brittany MacDuff (first) and Jake Otto (second) who won plaques and money prizes.

Many thanks to all who participated in the parade and made it possible including the Clark family for use of their field for parade assembly and volunteer Community Police Assoc. for their help. The effort people put into the parade is greatly appreciated.

The Legion Ladies Auxiliary held the draw for the raffle of a loin of beef on Sunday. It was won by Carol Taylor of Toronto.

The Wilberforce Heritage Guild also had the draw

for their raffle. The quilt was won by Valerie French of Wilberforce. The quilt rack which had been donated by Tom Huffman was won by Pat Tallman (Mrs. Larry Tallman) of Kitchener. The Wilberforce Heritage Guild and the Legion L.A. both greatly appreciate all those who sold and bought tickets in their raffles and congratulate the winners.

Members of the recreation committee that run Country Good Times are thankful for the individuals and groups that take part.

Though there have been challenges for the festival and its organizers and participants including the oppressive heat and humidity and rain we know many of you had some good moments. Often the good times and the memories came from the camaraderie of working together to try and get things accomplished even if the numbers don't add up. Cheers to us!

The croquet afternoon at the Outpost is on this Thursday afternoon July 21 starting at 1 p.m. Afternoon tea will be served about 3 p.m. If the weather doesn't cooperate tea will be served inside during the afternoon. Admission is by donation.

Hope everyone is recovering from the storm last Wednesday evening – what wind, rain and hail! One old favourite poplar is gone from my backyard and one window broken.

Then after several phone calls Thursday morning the phone went dead and my line is underground. My my, it has been quiet here in those few moments I have managed to be home.

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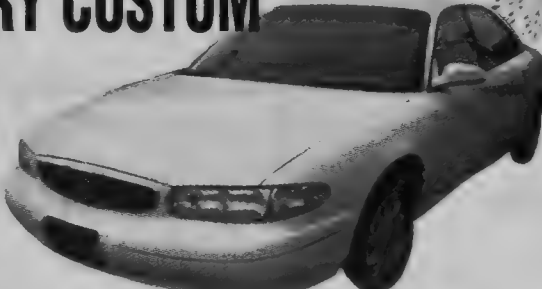
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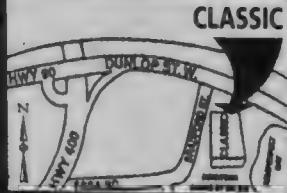
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Kimberly Margaret Varty graduated from Queen's University with an Honours degree in Sociology and Drama. Kim has been accepted into the Charter Class of the Northern Ontario School of Medicine, Thunder Bay campus. She says, "It takes a community to create a medical student." Kim is the daughter of Peter and Ann Varty of Haliburton.

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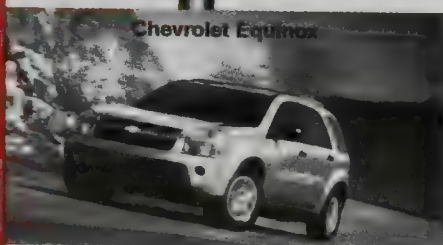
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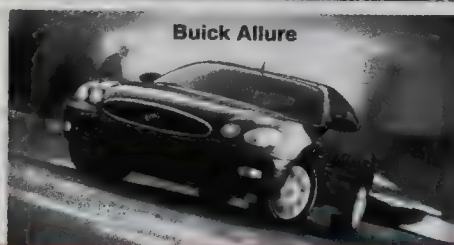
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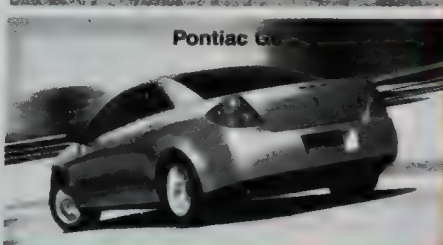
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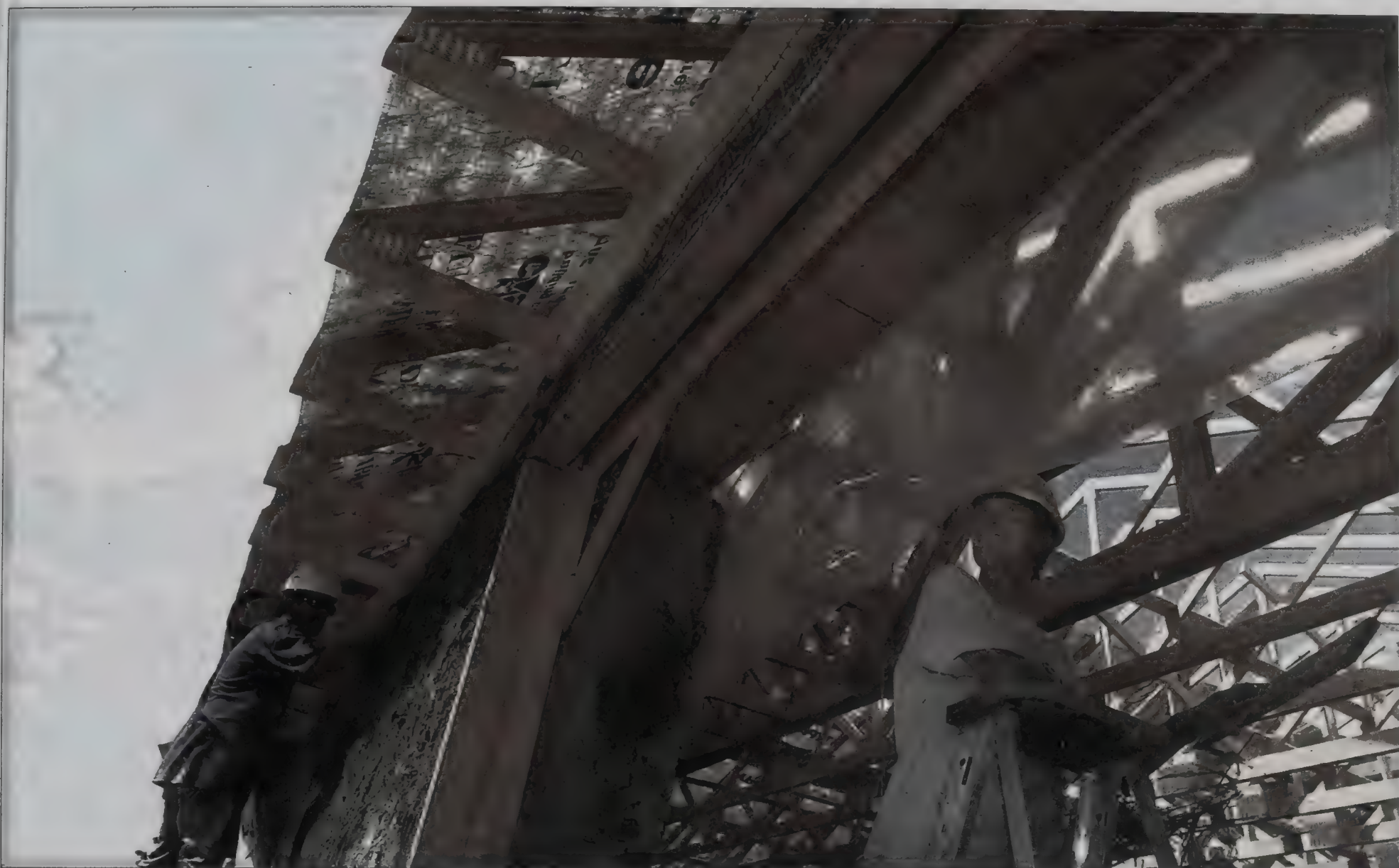
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Pontiac G6



Hear straw bale author this Wednesday

Sir Sandford Fleming College (SSFC) sustainable building students continue working on the 4Cs' new food bank building. Course professor Chris Magwood has released his straw bale how-to book *More Straw Bale Building*. The illustrated (colour and black and white photos) book is his third on the subject. He has also written *Straw Bale Details and Straw Bale Building*. He will be speaking about straw bale construction at the SSFC campus in Haliburton in the common hall at 6:30 p.m. on Wednesday, July 20. All proceeds from the sale of the book will go to the 4Cs. He has 10 years experience in the sustainable construction field. The book can be purchased locally in Haliburton at Undercover Books and is also available at www.newsociety.com. Photos by Darren Lum.



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NOTICE**(Applicant – MACKLIN/LYONS)**

IN THE MATTER OF THE MUNICIPAL ACT AND IN THE MATTER OF A PROPOSED BY-LAW OF THE CORPORATION OF THE MUNICIPALITY OF HIGHLANDS EAST TO CLOSE, STOP-UP AND CONVEY CERTAIN PORTIONS OF AN ORIGINAL SHORE ALLOWANCE FOR ROAD ALONG THE SHORE OF KOSHLONG LAKE, MORE PARTICULARLY HEREINAFTER DESCRIBED.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN, pursuant to the Municipal Act, S.O. 2001, and the Municipal Procedures that the Township Council of The Corporation of the Municipality of Highlands East proposes to consider and if deemed advisable, to pass at its regular meeting to be held at the Council Chambers, WILBERFORCE, Ontario on Tuesday, the 9th day of August 2005, at 9:00 a.m., a By-Law to close, stop-up and convey to the adjacent land owners the following described lands:

Part of the Original Shore Road Allowance in front of Part Lot 9 and 10, Concession 15, Township of Glamorgan, Municipality of Highlands East, County of Haliburton, shown as Parts 3, 4 and 5 on a Preliminary Plan of Survey made by Paul Wilson, O.L.S., dated October 6, 2004. (Part 5 being the flooded portion to be retained by the Municipality of Highlands East).

The Preliminary Plan of Survey, as referred to above, is available for inspection during regular office hours (9:00 a.m. to 4:30 p.m., Monday to Friday) at the Municipality of Highlands East offices, Wilberforce, Ontario.

The above described lands, by resolution, have been declared to be surplus.

AND TAKE FURTHER NOTICE that before passing the said By-Law at the meeting to be held at the time and place above mentioned, the Municipality of Highlands East shall then and there hear in person or by his or her counsel, solicitor or agent, any person who claims that his, her or their lands will be affected by the said By-Law and who applies to be heard in person. The person who wishes to address Council should contact the Township office for delegation time.

DATED at the Municipality of Highlands East, Wilberforce, Ontario this 19th day of July, 2005.

SHARON STOUGHTON-CRAIG
CAO/CLERK-TREASURER
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Contact: Lisa O'Neil

Project: New 2 storey, 10,000 sf/floor, poured concrete foundations, structural steel frame with steel stud infill, wood truss roof w/steel/shingle cladding, brick and EIFS exterior wall finishes, curtain wall and punch aluminum windows, stl. stud interior partitions, elevator, well, sitework, millwork, etc. - most sub-trades required. May or may not require bonding. Tender start-mid July. Approx. construction start-mid August 2005.

Contact Construction Manager with expression of interest to quote on this project.



MUNICIPALITY OF DYSART ET AL PUBLIC NOTICE

Pursuant to the Building Code Act, as amended, a public meeting will be held on Tuesday, August 2, 2005 at 6:00 p.m. in the Municipal Council Chambers to consider a by-law respecting construction, demolition and change of use permits and the inspections required.

The intention of the by-law is to change the fees imposed for applications for building permits. Further information regarding the proposed fees may be obtained at the Municipal Office.

Any person who attends this meeting shall be given the opportunity to make representations with respect to this matter.

Municipality of Dysart et al
135 Maple Avenue
P.O. Box 389
Haliburton, Ontario
K0M 1S0



COUNTY OF HALIBURTON LAND DIVISION COMMITTEE

NOTICE OF APPLICATIONS FOR CONSENT

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN pursuant to Section 53(5)(a) of the *Planning Act* and Section 3, O.Reg. 197/96, as amended, that the following Applications for Consent have been submitted to the Haliburton County Land Division Committee, the consent granting authority in these matters.

AND FURTHER THAT at its meeting to be held **Monday August 8th, 2005 at 7:00 p.m.** in the Administration Building, County of Haliburton Office, 11 Newcastle Street, Minden, Ontario, these Applications for Consent will be heard by the Land Division Committee:

- File No. H-047/04 & H-048/04
Applicant: Myrlene FOSTER
Location of the Property: Pt Lot 17, Concession 9, Geographic Township of Stanhope
Nature of the Application: 2 New Lots & Rights-of-way
- File No. H-089/04
Applicant: Gladys Dorothy WILLIAMS
Location of the Property: Pt Lot 2, Concession 14, Geographic Township of Havelock
Nature of the Application: New Lot
- File No. H-048/05
Applicant: James & Joseph LEE
Location of the Property: Pt Lot 22, Concession 15, Geographic Township of Monmouth
Nature of the Application: New Lot

Additional information regarding any of the above-noted applications is available for public inspection at the Land Division Office by appointment during regular business hours, Monday to Friday, from 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.

If a person or public body that files an appeal of a decision of the Land Division Committee in respect of the proposed consent does not make written submissions to the Land Division Committee before it gives or refuses to give a provisional consent, the Ontario Municipal Board may dismiss the appeal.

If you wish to be notified of the decision of the Land Division Committee in respect of the proposed consent, you must make a written request to the undersigned.

Dated at the Township of Minden Hills this 19th day of July, 2005.

Jane M. Tousaw, A.M.C.T.
Development Services Coordinator/Planner
County of Haliburton
11 Newcastle Street
P. O. 399
Minden, Ontario K0M 2K0
Telephone: (705) 286-1333 or
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MUNICIPALITY OF DYSART ET AL

NOTICE TO ALL RATEPAYERS HOUSEHOLD HAZARDOUS WASTE DAY

will be held on

Saturday, August 6th, 2005
from 9:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m.
at the Haliburton Landfill Site
For further information please call: 705-457-1740

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**Notice to all Ratepayers
Household Hazardous Waste Day
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Saturday, July 30th, 2005**

at the following locations and times:

**For the Ratepayers of the
Township of Minden Hills**

From 8:00 a.m. to 12:00 noon
at the SCOTCH LINE LANDFILL SITE
For further information, please call: (705) 286-1260

**For the Ratepayers of the
Township of Algonquin Highlands**

From 1:00 p.m. to 5:00 p.m.
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- Now until August 25: 4 Cs Straw Bale Building Project (Site Tours) – Every Thursday, 4:30 - 5:30 p.m. 25 York St., Haliburton, Ont. Next to the Rails End Gallery.
- July 19: Wheels to Meals at the Dominion Hotel, Minden, 11:30 a.m. – Always a sell-out and lots of fun. Call Myrtle Bouthorn at 754-1711 to reserve.
- July 20: Wheels to Meals at Win Yeung, 12 noon – Book early, as this fills up! To reserve, call Aileen Bruce at 457-3375.
- July 20: "The Red Hats of Haliburton County" – This month's destination is the Medland's, 3040 Haliburton Lake Rd., (1 mile north of the flashing signal light in Eagle Lake) for a noon Pot luck Lunch and an Eagle Lake Tour. Life jackets are mandatory. Please phone 754-4957 for further info.
- July 22: Haliburton Hospital Auxiliary – Tag Day will be held in the village of Haliburton.
- July 22: Wheels to Meals at South Algonquin Cookhouse, 12 noon – A great way to spend your lunch hour. To book, call Eileen Knox at 448-2596.
- July 22: Minden Hills Museum – Victorian Afternoon Teas, begin at noon. Enjoy fancy sandwiches and delicate desserts while you are being entertained in the Bowron Log Home. Cookbook included. Reservations a must. Call 286-3154.
- July 22 to 24: 41st Annual Haliburton Art & Craft Show – Outdoor juried show featuring works of 100 Canadian Artisans. This is the primary fundraising event of the year for Rails End Gallery, held in Head Lake Park. Fri., noon to 7 p.m.; Sat., 10 a.m. - 6 p.m.; Sun., 10 a.m. - 4 p.m.
- July 22 to 24: Community Care Haliburton County – We will host the BBQ at the Art & Craft Show in Head Lake Park. Thanks to the Haliburton Highlands Guild of Fine Arts/Rails End Gallery for letting us participate in this terrific annual event! Also, special thanks to M&M Meat Shops for their donation of a BBQ and tent! We will be serving delicious M&M Meat Shops Hamburgers and Hot Dogs. Please stop by for a treat!
- July 23: Museum Book Sale – The Haliburton Highlands Museum will be holding its annual fundraising used book sale on Sat., 10 a.m. - 4 p.m. Fact, Fiction, Children's Books, and more. Stop by and browse through a variety of books for all ages and interests. Book donations are appreciated. Call 457-2760.
- July 23 & 24: Alicia Charlton a talented professional soapstone sculptor and woodcarving enthusiast will be at the Carving Gallery showing her chainsaw carving skills and having an exhibition of her work. Alicia (the youngest female chainsaw artist in Canada) is best known for carving whimsical soapstone bears that you will gush over. She will be available for questioning at the Carving Gallery, 8995 Hwy. #5 (18 km south of Minden). For more info. call 454-1701.
- July 24: George Briggs Memorial Open Cribbage Tournament at Royal Canadian Legion Coboconk. Registration at 11 a.m. Entry fee \$20. for two person teams includes lunch. Cash prizes based on number of entries. Early registration appreciated (705) 454-8127.
- July 25: Wheels to Meals at The Cookhouse in the Haliburton Forest and Wildlife Reserve, 11:30 a.m. – Enjoy a delicious meal and lots of fun. Call Jackie Journeaux at 754-1323 to reserve.

ON GOING EVENTS

- For women experiencing any type of abuse, call the YWCA Crisis Line at 286-6442 or (800) 461-7656.
- Haliburton Highlands Senior Citizen Club meet every Thurs., 12 noon, for a weekly luncheon at the Haliburton Legion. Join us for good food, fun and fellowship.
- Haliburton Legion, Br. 129 – Every Wed. night is Bingo night. Early Bird starts at 7:00 p.m.
- Community Care Haliburton County – If you need assistance with household chores – both inside and outside the home – please ask about our brokered worker program for Home Help and Home Maintenance. All our workers have been screened and pre-approved by our office. They offer low-cost service to seniors and disabled adults throughout Haliburton County. Call 457-2941.
- Royal Canadian Legion, Branch 636, Minden holds its General Business Meeting on the first Wednesday of each month at 7:30 p.m.

Events listings are provided **FREE** for non-profit groups on a space-available basis. While we endeavour to accommodate requests for publication, we cannot guarantee that all requests for listings will appear. Requests should be faxed to The Echo at 457-3275, emailed to editor@haliburtonecho.ca, or brought in to the office. Please submit events by the Thursday prior to the requested publication date. NOTE: This calendar is not a comprehensive listing of all events taking place in the area. Please check the classified pages, display advertising and articles appearing elsewhere in the Echo for more information on events in the Highlands.



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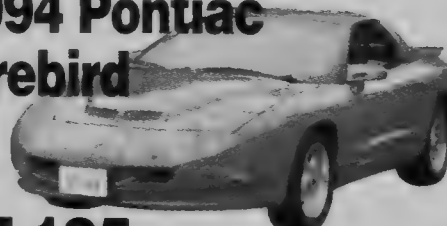
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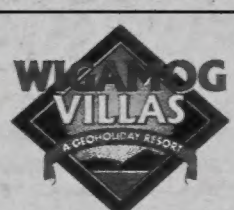
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290 COMING EVENTS

HALIBURTON HIGHLANDS FIELD NATURALISTS

Join us for a
"Family Bug Walk"
with Jean Godawa
Accompanied by an adult, children
of all ages welcome
Meet at Minden Museum at 10:00
Sunday, July 24, 2005.

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Haliburton Legion Br. 129 SUNDAY BRUNCH

July 24, 2005
10 a.m. - 1:30 p.m.
Upstairs in our smoke free
auditorium.
FULL BREAKFAST:
Pancakes or Eggs
Bacon or Sausages
Home Fries, Toast, Juice
Coffee or Tea
All for only \$4.00

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MUSEUM BOOK SALE

The Haliburton Highlands Museum
will be holding its annual fundraising
used book sale on
Saturday, July 23rd from
10:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.
Fact, Fiction, Children's Books, and
more. Stop by and browse through
a variety of books for all ages and
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WINTERGREEN PANCAKE BARN

RASPBERRY SOCIALS
9 a.m. - 4 p.m.
July 16, 17 and July 23, 24
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- Wintergreen creates fresh fruit delights with real whipped cream topped with maple syrup and of course fresh raspberries.
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- Join us for fresh baked pies or take one home frozen and bake it yourself. Phone to reserve 10 inch raspberry pies.
- Have your cake and experience it too, crepes, French toast, waffles, pancakes, pavlova, sundaes and banana splits, milkshakes or smoothies made with fresh raspberries.
- Bring your friends and sample the tastes of twenty-five fruit syrups, fifteen barbecue sauces and fifty exotic food products. We provide the spoon, the fun, and the creative ideas, to bring cooking from ordinary to extraordinary.

Coming fruit socials ...

Raspberry, Blueberry, Peach, Spy Apple/Cranberry, Pumpkin.
Calendar of Events
available on site.
The Red Roofed Barn
County Road #1
(Gelert Road),
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Cheque or cash only

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300 ANNOUNCEMENTS

Jack & Jill for JAIME HUGHES

&
GAVIN SIMMS
Saturday, July 23
at Minden Community Centre
at 8:00 p.m.
All friends and family welcome.
Tickets \$10/a person
\$15/a couple

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330 YARD/GARAGE SALES

Garage Sale

**Don't
sell out
on safety**

Garage sale items must be safe to sell:
• baby gates • children's sleepwear
• car seats • cribs • sports equipment
It's the law...don't be held liable!
Contact the Health Unit to find out more.

HKPR Haliburton, Kawartha, Pine Ridge District **705-457-1391**
Health Unit www.hkpr.on.ca

YARD SALE Saturday, July 23 9 a.m. - 2 p.m.

At 2341 Kennis Lake Rd.
Electric Organ, wooden boat, tools,
satellite dish, household items.

340 AUCTIONS/FLEA MARKETS

ANTIQUE & COLLECTABLE AUCTION

Sunday, July 31, 10 a.m.
at NORM MILLS AUCTION
CENTRE, Hwy. 21N & 35, Minden.
Brass bed, spinning wheel, wooden
high chair, large oak trunk, #4 crock
with lid and spigot, long oak dining
table, large heavy carved oak trunk
24x30 cast iron ornate hearth plate.
French door, ornate oak carved fern,
2 octagonal Barley twist carved iron
stand, 8 ladder back chairs, 3 corner
chairs, collectable gas and oil cans,
tools, rug. We need more items to
make this an interesting sale. Call ear-
ly. Norm Mills Auctioneer/Appraiser
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ESTATE AUCTION Thursday, July 21, 5 p.m. at NORM MILLS AUCTION CENTRE, 21N & 35, Minden.

Partial listing: Coca Cola can type
vending machine, candy, snacks and
can commercial vending machines,
air conditioner, large bar fridge, apt.
sized washer and dryer, Kenmore
H.D. dryer, organ, TVs, microwave,
file cabinets, vacuum cleaners, floor
desk table lamps, chairs, chesters, drafting
table, coffee and end tables,
rattan chairs, office chairs, carpets,
metal desks, computer desks, 18 foot
"L" shaped service counter, Bikes,
OMC gas cans, fans, shop vac., lu-
nar telescope, shutters, snow shoes,
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Saturday, July 30th
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330 YARD/GARAGE SALES

WHITE'S ANTIQUES & COLLECTABLES AUCTION SALE

Wed., July 27, 2005, 6 p.m.
Viewing 4-6 p.m.
Sale to be held at White's Auction
Centre. From Bancroft take Hwy.
28S approx. 9 kms to Paudash
School Road
(Watch for Signs).

Sale to consist of the following: Church
pew, oak drop front desk, refinished
steamer trunk, press back chair, high
chair, oak bookcase with 2 glass
doors, walnut dresser, oval glass top
table, walnut writing table with 2 draw-
ers, pine blanket box, pine trunk,
hump top trunk, Eastlake style high
chair, wicker 1/2 table with mirrored
top, small pine plant stand, white
maple table, walnut sewing basket,
jugs/creamers, Delft pottery, Doultan
plate, ice cream set, lemonade set,
press glass bowls, compote, pudding
basin by T.G. Green Ltd., carved
birds, jars/bottles, candle holders, blue
mountain pottery, kitchenware, cop-
perware, various crockery pcs.,
Pewter, variety art work and prints,
barn lanterns, lighting fixtures, folk art,
pine gas pump bank, Avon col-
lectibles. Please note this is only a partial
listing of a very full and interesting
sale. Check out our website for more
details and photos and then plan to
join us in our air conditioned hall.
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White - Auctioneer. Phone: (613)
339-2350, Fax: (613) 339-1572, E-
mail: whites.auction@sympati-
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ctions.ca

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WHITE'S AUCTION SALE Saturday, July 23, 2005 10 a.m.

From Bancroft take Hwy. 28S to
Fire #29175
(Beside Pappy Auto).

Sale to consist of electric Lazy Boy lift
chair, oak dresser with mirror, single
headboard and footboard,
dresser/vanity, air conditioner, cam-
corder, complete stereo systems,
asst. chairs and tables, bar/stools, dis-
play cases, doll carriage, var. pictures
including Autumns Garland by Group
of 7 Painter Tom Thomson, Van Gogh
and Renoir prints, Poor Widows' Mite
(with certificate of authenticity), Limited
Edition series of a coin recovered
from a sunken treasure of the H.M.S.
Admiral Gardiner (with certificate of
authenticity), Eddie LePage print, An-
na Pugh Print, Satsuma Egg, Var. de-
canters, qty. teacups/S&P, Scales of
justice, wades, glassware, various old
tins, egg cups, var. crystal pcs., Fen-
ton bowl, quantity of old dolls includ-
ing porcelain and Popeye, Copper
pieces, Kitchen Aid, iron, costume jew-
ellery, coins, new in box compound
miter saw, quantity of tools, etc.
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339-2350, Fax: (613) 339-1572, E-mail: whites.auction@sympatico.ca; Website: www.whitesauctions.ca

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370 BIRTHDAYS

90th BIRTHDAY ANNOUNCEMENT

for
GERTRUDE RIPLEY
To be held at Doug Ripley's Home
20 St. Germain St., Minden
Sunday, July 31
from 1 to 4 o'clock
Cake & ice cream will be served.

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380 BIRTHS

LEGGE/DUVAL - Melanie & Brian
are thrilled to announce the arrival of
their daughter

MIKAELA MARIE

Born May 19, 2005, weighing 8 lbs.
7 ozs. Much to the delight of big sis-
ter Chelsea, Grandparents Mike &
Saundra Legge of Minden, John &
Betty Duval of Brampton and all her
aunts, uncles and cousins.

390 PUBLIC NOTICES

NOTICE OF COMMENCEMENT -

Environmental Screening Process,
Kinmount Dam/Austin Mill, Kin-
mount, Ontario - Moira River Water
Power Inc., in partnership with the City
of Kawartha Lakes is commencing an
environmental screening process under
the Electricity Projects Regulation
(Category B). The project encom-
passes installation of hydraulic elec-
tric power generation at the Kinmount
Dam/Austin Saw Mill. This project
complements and would proceed con-
currently with the restoration of the
Austin Sawmill. Public information
meetings will be held at the site lo-
cation on Sunday, July 17 and Sun-
day, July 24, 2005 respectively from
10:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. For addition-
al information please contact: Mr. Ian
Angus, Moira River Water Power Inc.,
4476 County Road 10, RR#1 Port
Hope, Ontario, Canada L1A 3V5. Tel:
(905) 753-2500.

440 THANK YOU

FAMILY SERVICES OF HALIBUR-
TON COUNTY sincerely thanks Paul
and Brenda at Carey's Flowers and
Garden Centre for the generous and
thoughtful donation of beautiful flow-
ering plants and vegetables. We hope
to put our green thumbs to work with
children and families this summer.
They will definitely spread a little beau-
ty around the county. We appreciate
you thinking of us! Kind regards, staff
of Family Services.

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LOUIE'S CAR CARE & DETAIL CENTRE

would like to extend warm
and heartfelt thanks to the following:
Dawn Mole and her Family Services
Crew for helping our BBQ and Car
Wash Opening to be the success that
it was, also Doug and June, Molly and
Don, Ross and Isabel, Pete of Junc-
tion Services, Dan Kay of K-Enter-
prises, and of course our valued cus-
tomers! Thank you everyone for your
generous donations, friendships and
support!

460 OBITUARIES

440 THANK YOU

THANK YOU to Chris Cody - Tire-
lessly working in 40 degree weather
to create the patio landscape of our
dreams. Your knowledge of indige-
nous plants and proper placement
is impressive. The final results are
more beautiful than we expected.
Your patience with the four extra little
eyes watching you as you worked and
your diligence enduring the heat have
not gone unnoticed. Thank you, Mike
& Jenn Wilson.

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THE HIGHLAND HERITAGE COM- MITTEE

would like to thank everyone
who donated items for our Silent Auc-
tion on June 18th. It was lots of fun
and a great success. A huge thank
you also to the Highlands East Fire
Department, for not only donating the
use of their tent, but also their time to
set up and take it down.

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450 IN MEMORIAM

DAWE, MILLIE (Lewis) - In loving
memory of a sister who passed away
July 24, 2004.
In our hearts a memory is kept.
For a sister we will never forget.
Always remembered by sisters Mae
Cooper and Doris LaPorte and fam-
ilies.

DAWE, MILLIE (Lewis) - Passed
away one year ago on July 24, 2004.
Lovingly remembered by husband
Melvin and Family.
Forever in our hearts.

DEWEY, FRANK - In loving memo-
ry of Frank Dewey who passed away
July 19, 1998.

I seem to see in the soft, dim light
A face I loved the best,
And think of him when the sun's last
ray
Goes down in the far-off west.
Lovingly remembered by wife Alida
and all his children and their fam-
ilies.

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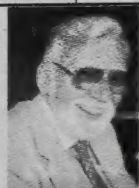
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BRUCE AMSON WW II 435 Squadron

Peacefully with family by his side on July 8,
2005 at Eagle Terrace Nursing Home,
Newmarket in his 87th year. Bruce, loving
husband for 65 years of Carol. Loving Dad
of Gail and her husband Murray Thomson,
Heather Miller, and Bonnie and her husband
John Renzio. Proud grandpa of Laura,
Kristen, Scott, Brett, Heidi, Tobin and
Kaelan. Great-grandpa of Alexander and
Benjamin. Dear brother of Alfred, Laurie and
Fay Ruggles. Predeceased by his son-in-law
Bruce Miller, brother Eddie and sister Dori
Wilson. Friends will be received at the
Thompson Funeral Home, 29 Victoria St.,
Aurora (905) 727-5421 on Wednesday from
11:00 a.m. until service time at 1:00 p.m.
Cremation to follow. Memorial donations to
the Alzheimer Society would be appreciated
by the family.

"Walk slowly my love, soon I will follow"



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